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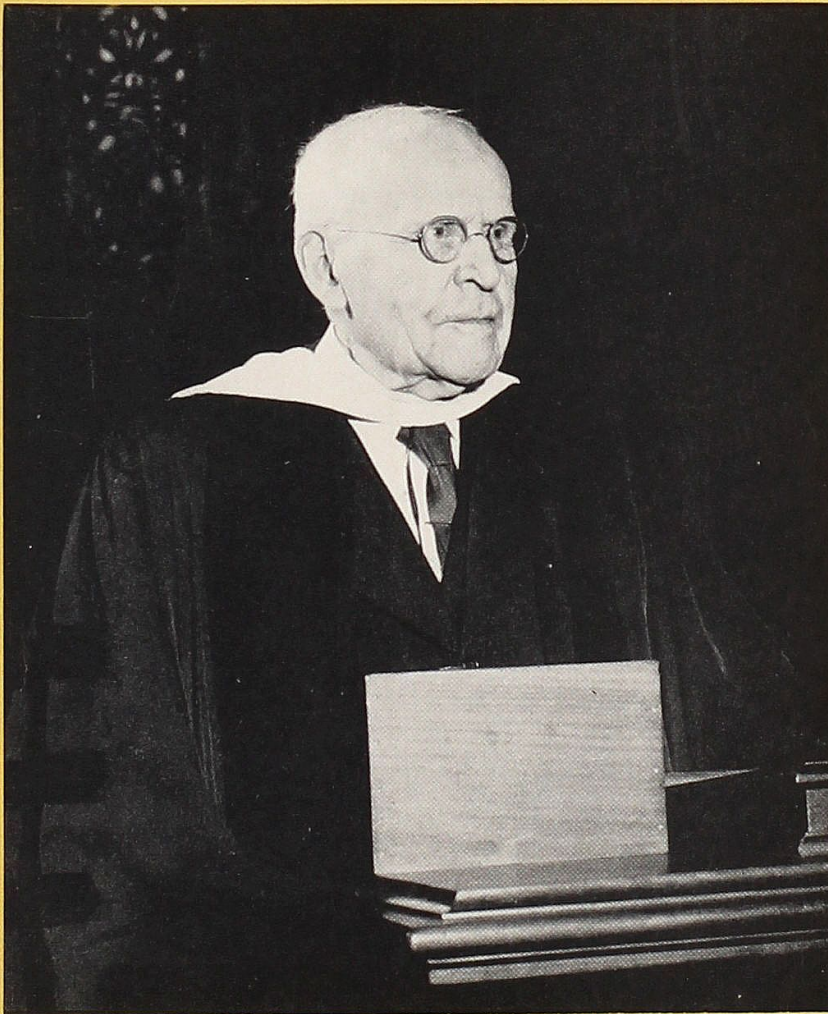
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## **DIMNENT MEMORIAL CHAPEL**



*For Story of Half Million Dollar Gift for Library, see Pages 2-3.*



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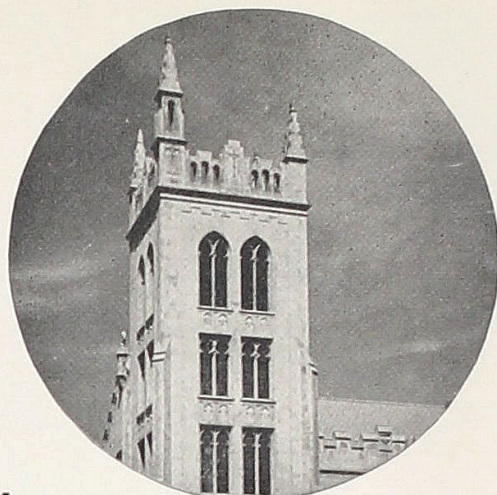
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## DIMNENT MEMORIAL

The Executive Committee of the Hope College Board of Trustees approved a change in the name of the Hope Memorial Chapel on August 14. To honor the memory of the late Dr. Edward Dimnent, the chapel was renamed DIMNENT MEMORIAL CHAPEL.

The most imposing edifice on the campus, the chapel was built during Dr. Dimnent's administration as president. It was largely due to this one man's efforts that the \$400,000 was raised for the project. It is estimated that it would cost \$1½ million to replace it today.

Originally promoted by Dr. Dimnent as the "Colonial Memorial Chapel to be a Perpetual Memorial to the Ideals and Purposes of all the Colonists from the Netherlands during Three Centuries," the Board of Trustees at that time prevailed upon him to drop the "Colonial" with the thought that the adjective would be generally construed to apply to the style of architecture which could not apply to this modified Gothic edifice.

orial Chapel was carried on in the 1920's and it was largely due to Dr. Dimnent's efforts that the program was accomplished. His yearly lectures for new students and visitors on the stories behind the stained glass windows became a tradition during orientation week.

The year 1919 was an eventful one for Dr. Dimnent. That year he received three honorary degrees in recognition of outstanding work: the Litt.D. degree from Rutgers College, L.H.D. from Hope College and LL.D. from Central College.

After retiring as college president in 1931, Dr. Dimnent remained on the college faculty as head of the economics department until he retired in 1946. At that time he was named president-emeritus of the college. In earlier years, he had served as treasurer and registrar in addition to teaching duties. He also served on the board of trustees of Western Seminary for many years.

Always interested in literary Achievement, Dr. Dimnent was author of the historical pageant, "The Pilgrim" which Hope College presented in 1941 to celebrate the 75th anniversary of the founding of the college. Not content with merely writing the dialogue, a momentous task in itself, he spent months in historical research to insure accuracy of detail and to provide information on authentic costumes for old world scenes. He also wrote several other pageants and articles and in 1938 headed the Michigan Authors Association. At that time he also was president of the State Historical Society.

Dr. Dimnent, affectionately dubbed "Dimmy" by Hope students, was noted for the sage bits of advice he gave along with his courses in economics. An oft repeated, well remembered "enlightenment" he used for all situations that ranged from joy to disappointment to sorrow, was "that's life."

Also active on the practical economics front, Dr. Dimnent at the time of his death served on boards of directors for First National Bank, Home Furnace Co. and Standard Grocer Co. He was a member of Hope Reformed Church and the Holland Rotary Club.

Surviving are a sister, Mrs. Nellie Dykhuizen, two nieces, Adelaide '26 and Geraldine '26 Dykhuizen of Holland, and a nephew, Dr. Harold D. Dykhuizen '30 of Muskegon.

Funeral services were held on July 7 in Hope Memorial Chapel which Dr. Dimnent was instrumental in building. Dr. I. J. Lubbers, president of Hope College, Dr. Marion de Velder, pastor of Hope Church, and Dr. James Wayer, associate pastor of Hope Church, officiated. Burial was in Pilgrim Home Cemetery.

# Edward Daniel Dimnent

1876 - 1959

PRESIDENT OF HOPE COLLEGE

1918 - 1931

MEMBER OF HOPE COLLEGE FACULTY

1897 - 1948

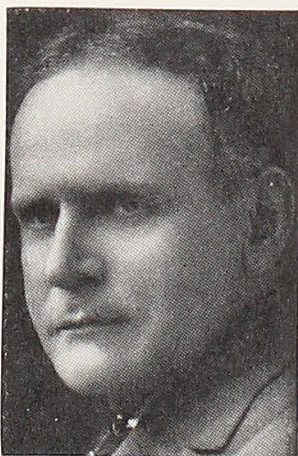
Reprinted from the Holland Evening Sentinel

Edward D. Dimnent '96, who served as president of Hope College from 1918 to 1931, died on July 4 in his home at 88 West 13th Street, Holland, following a year's illness. He was born in Chicago in 1876 and lived in Holland for 70 years, spending nearly 50 years with the Hope College administration and faculty.

Dr. Dimnent was graduated from Hope College in 1896 and later studied at Western Theological Seminary and the University of Chicago, then a new institution, before returning to Holland in 1898 as professor of Greek. In those days faculty members usually taught more than one subject and later Dr. Dimnent entered the field of economics which he taught for many years, even after he retired as president in 1931, succeeded by Dr. Wynand Wichers.

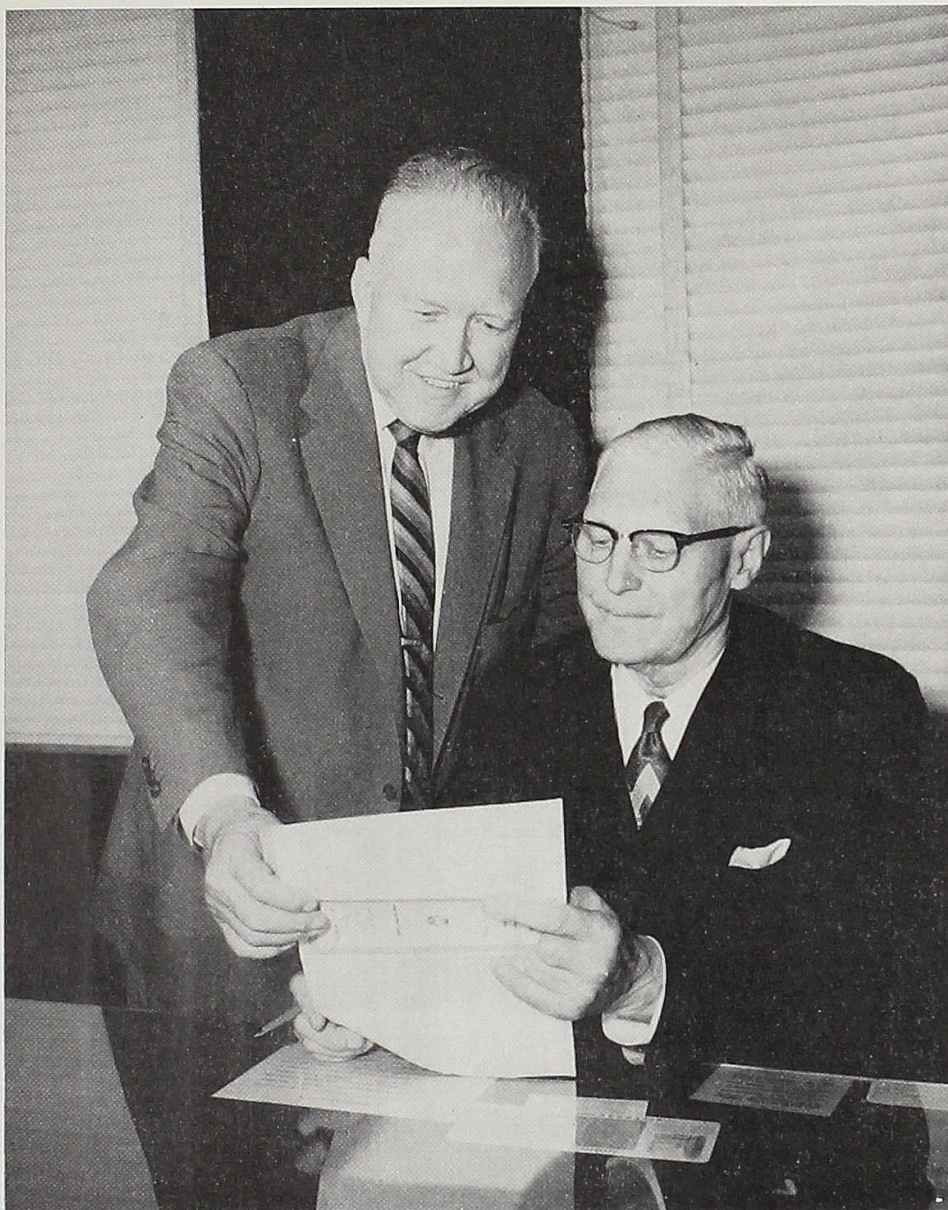
During his administration as president, the campaign for funds for Hope Mem-

For Dr. Lubbers' remarks at Dr. Dimnents Funeral service, see page 19.



EDWARD D. DIMNENT





## HOPE'S LARGEST GIFT...

### *Alumnus Donor for a Library*

**A**N alumnus has presented to his alma mater the largest single gift ever received by Hope College, according to Dr. Irwin J. Lubbers, president.

On July 3, this year, Gerrit John Van Zoeren '12 presented \$567,000 in securities to Hope College to build a library in memory of his wife, Anna Elizabeth Van Zoeren, who died June 9 in Holland Hospital.

The presentation of the gift took place in the board of directors room of Peoples State Bank. Dr. Lubbers accepted the gift on behalf of the college. Also present were two members of the Board of Trustees, William O. Rottschaefer '23 and Ekdal Buys '37, both of Grand Rapids; College Treasurer Henry Steffens '30 and Dr. Eugene Osterhaven '37 of the Western Seminary faculty, a relative of Mr. Van Zoeren.

Dr. Lubbers said architects are now working on plans for the Van Zoeren Library, although the site for the new building has not been determined. Consultant for the new library is John May, newly appointed head librarian at the college.

A native of Vriesland, where he was born in 1884, Mr. Van Zoeren attended Hope Preparatory School for four years, and Hope College for four years. Upon his graduation from the college with a bachelor of arts degree in 1912, through the efforts of the late Dr. Almon T. Godfrey, then head of the chemistry department, Mr. Van Zoeren received an assistantship in chemistry at the University of Illinois. He was the first Hope man to be awarded an assistantship in chemistry, thereby paving the way for the two hundred or more who have been so honored since.

In 1914 he accepted a position with the Holland-St. Louis Sugar Co. as a chemist. In the summer of that year he married Miss Anna Elizabeth Hayden of Lawton, Michigan, a graduate of Teachers College in Kentucky.

The following year Mr. Van Zoeren was offered an assistantship to experiment with sugar at McDonald College which is affiliated with McGill University. While there he received a master's degree in 1917. During World War I he served in the chemical warfare division at Nobel, Canada, where he dealt with high explosives.



# A Fitting Memorial

A college library is a fitting memorial to Anna Elizabeth Hayden Van Zoeren. She has been described by a friend and traveling companion as a "walking encyclopedia, a wonderful person to take a trip with." Though a graduate of a Kentucky teacher's college, she was self-taught to a great degree. She constantly surprised her friends by her fund of knowledge of many things. She was interested in books and was well-informed, especially concerning plant life and geology.

A native of Kentucky, Mrs. Van Zoeren worked tirelessly to help educate young people from the Annville area. At least four lived at the Van Zoeren home while attending high school and Hope College. She carried her interest in the education of young people to real help for Mr. Van Zoeren's younger brother and several of his nieces and nephews.

Those interviewed concerning Mrs. Van Zoeren's interests, all agreed that she was original and clever. On occasion she would give officer reports concerning her church work completely in verse to the entertainment of the group. She, with Mr. Van Zoeren, was the Van Zoeren family historian and often her reports were in original verse, remembered with delight. Always she and Mr. Van Zoeren were unselfish—unselfish with their home, their knowledge, their talents, their time. They were hosts for the 40th and 45th reunions of the class of 1912, in their home at one time, and because of illness in the home, at the hotel for the second.

A member of the Women's Relief Corps, the Woman's Literary Club, the Holland Garden Club, Mrs. Van Zoeren was active in all. But her major work was done as a member of Hope Reformed Church. She served the Women's Aid Society as president, and she and Mr. Van Zoeren were chairmen of the church's School for Christian Living, to mention a few of their offices. But they did not confine their work to their terms of office. They were energetic and tireless workers in the Church.

A library, particularly for church-related Hope College, is a fitting Memorial to Mrs. Gerrit John Van Zoeren.



He declined an offer of an assistant professorship at McDonald College to enter industrial chemistry. After three years, 1919-22, as a member of the chemistry staff at Holland Aniline Co., he joined his classmate Edward De Pree '12N of Zeeland in a study of arsenicals and formed a company which became known as De Pree Laboratories. In 1935 their company became associated with Dr. L. P. Kyredies and formed chemical Specialties Co. Mr. Van Zoeren served the company as president and general manager until 1947 when the firm merged with Miles Laboratories.

Mr. Van Zoeren spent eight years on Hope's campus, commuting daily from Vriesland on the interurban for both his prep school training and college work. He recalled that he and his sister Fannie attended Hope for a total cost of less than \$100 per year. "Carfare for both of us was only \$48 annually, our books probably amounted to \$10 and in those days two members of the same family were allowed to matriculate on one tuition fee of \$20."



# My Experience with the Russians

By John G. Mulder '31



Sputniks, mutniks, luniks, cold war, and all those other worries thrown at us by the Soviets seem to have caused scientific hysteria among Americans. While worry about Russian scientific progress may be justified, my experiences during the summer of 1958 in France and England lead me to conclude the Russians are no supermen scientifically.

I was a U.S. delegate to conferences on international photographic standardization which were held in Paris and in Harrogate, England. Concurrent with the photographic meetings were others in widely diversified fields with 52 nations attending.

From the Soviets who attended these meetings I conclude:

1. Russian scientists deserve respect for their sound training, but against this, one must weigh their lack of practical knowledge to apply their science.

2. The Soviets are inefficient because they live in an atmosphere of personal suspicion. In these meetings three people did the work of one person from the free world working under our philosophy which recognizes personal responsibility.

3. The Soviet system leads to indecisiveness and red tape.

4. The Russian language is complicated and is a hindrance to scientific communication.

5. The Soviet policy of autarky explains many Russian acts.

6. Sputnik, mutnik, etc., are probably

more the product of German scientists imported under pressure than of Russia's own science, although they may be training scientists of equal caliber.

7. At least some of the scientific hysteria the Russians have created in this country should be faced with an open and scientific mind. All-told Russians are not superhuman scientifically. This does not mean, however, that the U.S. should lean back in smug satisfaction. We have our work cut out for us to stay ahead.

Following are several observations which helped me appraise Russian technical people:

## The Four Delegates.

In each photographic conference there was a Russian delegation of four people—three men and a lady interpreter. In all, I came in contact with three different Russian delegations, each for one week. At first it appeared there were three technical people and one interpreter in each delegation. Usually on the first day, two of the delegates busied themselves with papers, but by the second day it became apparent that these two men made no contributions to the work of the third man. As time went on it became obvious the two were not the least interested in the technical discussions and even dozed. This meant only one of the four was an active delegate. However, at each intermission the two dozers sprang into immediate action. One watched closely the Russian delegate and the interpreter while they stayed in the meeting room. The other took a position in the hall outside. They accompanied the delegate when he left

the room—even to the rest room. This was all part of the general atmosphere of suspicion and distrust under which Russians constantly live.

## The Cigar Incident.

Before leaving the U.S. I laid in a stock of American cigars with the idea of using them as gifts, since to Europeans (with the exception of the Dutch and Germans) American cigars are a rare luxury. At one of the banquets given by Her Majesty's Government in England, I offered a cigar to one of the Russian delegates with whom I had been working. Although he understood some English in the technical meetings, suddenly he was unable to understand me or my sign language and motioned me to go with him to one of his fellow delegates. When I repeated my offer of the cigar in the presence of the other delegate, he accepted immediately. A German delegate who had previously lived in East Germany explained these actions: If the man accepted the cigar, his comrades could conclude he had been bribed or had become involved in a personal "deal." He could not afford to be suspected.

## The Fogged-Film Incident.

This same German delegate, who had previously worked for an East German film manufacturer, told me this true story. German motion-picture film being shipped to Red China via the tropical Indian Ocean was spoiled by heat in transit. When the Chinese complained the Soviets conducted an investigation. By their philosophy the system can never be wrong. All errors are the result of

John G. Mulder, a chemical engineer, is Director—Film Services Div., Eastman Kodak Co.



the failure of an individual. This delegate who very ably represented West Germany at the conference was singled out as the one individual at fault because, as head of the testing department, he had released this batch of film for shipment. His penalty was loss of one month's bonus. This was serious because his basic pay was not adequate for his living. As a result of this unwarranted punishment he and his wife fled into West Germany at the earliest opportunity and he works there now, happily.

#### The Acceptance of Responsibility Incident.

At the close of the conferences each delegation was asked to do its share of technical work in preparation for the next international conference. The leader of the Soviets said, "I am under operating instructions from my superiors at home. It will be necessary to check with my authorities before I can accept this responsibility." This statement was in sharp contrast with the behavior of the delegates from the free world, each of whom could accept or refuse responsibility for future work without checking with home authorities. This incident impressed me of the strong government control in Russia and the lack of individual freedom of choice.

#### The Russian Language.

The International Standards Organization has three official languages—English, French, and Russian. The English-French translation was handled by an official translator, who recorded all discussions in shorthand and then read the corresponding translation. I was amazed to note it took as long for the Russian translator to transcribe from English or French into Russian as was required for the speaker to address the group in French and then to have the French translated into English. I mentioned this to our official translator (English-French). She answered that in science the English language is the most concise, while the German and French rate next in simplicity, but Chinese and Russian are extremely cumbersome. She mentioned a conference where she served recently. There were several agenda items and when the officials were about to close the meeting, the Chinese were still dealing with item No. 2.

#### The Busy Camera.

One day on a sight-seeing tour in a French Government bus in Paris, one of the Russians scrambled for a seat in the front beside an open window. The first time the bus stopped for a traffic light his purpose became obvious—to photograph everything in the hope that something which the camera saw would be of value back home. At one stop he almost fell out of the bus in his attempt to get

360-degree coverage of a street corner.

At a dinner party in a French cafe, I made a few snapshots with existing light. Soon the leader of the Soviet delegation had his photographer busy too. Later I learned he wanted to impress the delegates that Russia has films as sensitive as those made in the U.S. What he didn't realize was that I was shooting color.

#### The LogEtronic Incident.

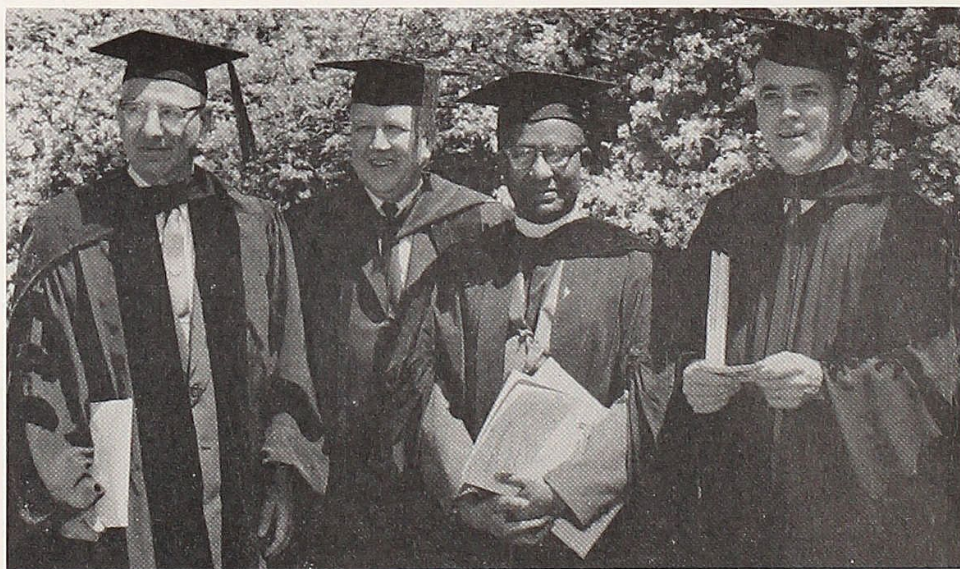
While we were in Paris the French Government invited the delegates to visit its photographic aerial map making operations. At one point in the tour we were shown an American LogEtronic photographic printer, a fairly commonplace item in our photographic industry. This printer is a valuable tool which interprets the negative and automatically regulates the printer light in local areas to give uniform result. The Russian delegates did just about everything short of photographing the equipment in their great interest to find out how it worked and was built. This intense curiosity drew snide remarks, knowing nods, and smiles from other delegates.

#### The Vodka Incident.

At one of the technical meetings while we were discussing ways to make possible the world-wide interchangeable use of films and cameras, an American delegate illustrated his point with a roll of American color film. The Russian delegate showed deep interest in this film and when the discussion finished, the American delegate gave it to him. He accepted

with profuse thanks and so the American gave him a second roll. The next day this same Russian, in the presence of a comrade, asked the American delegate if he would "run an experiment" for them. When the American agreed, the Russians brought out a bottle of Vodka as a gift. Color film apparently is more precious to Russians than cigars or Vodka.

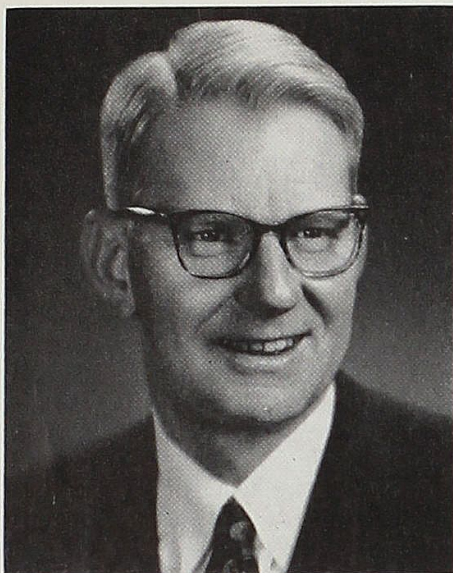
The Soviets seemed to reflect a strategy which is very well described by C. Douglas Dillon, Undersecretary of State for Economic Affairs, in "The Management Review" of January, 1959. Dillon says the Bolshevik revolution nationalized Russia's foreign trade by decree in 1918. As a result the government has total monopoly on foreign trade. This has led to isolation of the Soviet economy and foreign trade is used as an instrument which is manipulated to serve the purpose of internal economic plans and the requirements of foreign political strategy. Economists describe this as "autarky" (a policy of establishing independence of imports from other countries). In a world of fast changing technology, autarky does not mean a complete absence of trade. The Soviets recognize that they must import by one means or another capital goods to accelerate industrial growth and to obtain prototypes for copying. In the Vodka incident as well as in other acts, it was repeatedly obvious the Russians sought technical information to take home, but they contributed nothing of value.



#### HONORARY DEGREES

Hope College conferred honorary degrees upon two alumni and the speaker at Commencement exercises on June 1. The recipients are shown here with President Irwin J. Lubbers. Left to right, they are: The Rev. Henry Van Dyke '17, Buffalo Center, Iowa, who received the doctor of divinity degree; Dr. Lubbers; The Rev. Christian G. Baeta of Ghana, Commencement speaker, doctor of laws; and the Rev. Harvey B. Hoffman '32, Hackensack, N. J., doctor of divinity.





Justin Vander Kolk

### PRESIDENT NEW BRUNSWICK SEMINARY

The Rev. Dr. Justin Vander Kolk '31 was elected President of New Brunswick Theological Seminary by General Synod in June. He began his office on September 1.

An alumnus of New Brunswick (1936), Dr. Vander Kolk was asked to teach Systematic Theology there in 1946 and was elected Professor of S. T. by General Synod in 1951. Prior to his graduate work at New Brunswick, he had had six years teaching experience in Ottawa County, Michigan, and had served the First Christian Church of Irvington, N. J. for nine years. He holds the S.T.M. degree from Oberlin College, and the Ph.D. from the University of Chicago (1951).

In other work for the Church, Dr. Vander Kolk was a delegate to the Faith and Order Conference at Lund, Sweden, in 1952, and at Oberlin in 1957. He is currently President of the Board of Domestic Missions RCA.

He and Mrs. Vander Kolk have three daughters: Joyce, Hope College senior; Nancy Carol, a sophomore and Marilyn who attended Hope with the class of 1957 and is now Mrs. James Peters.

### PUBLICATIONS

Dr. Willis J. Potts '18 has had a new book, "The Surgeon and the Child," published recently by W. B. Saunders, Philadelphia.

In the September issue of *Aereo/Space Engineering* appears an article by Everett T. Welmrs '32 on "Space Applications for Rocket Vehicles."

Richard C. Smith '37 is the author of a book of dramatic impersonations of New Testament Characters entitled *We Met the Master*. Zondervan published the volume in 1958.

### NEW FACULTY MEMBERS

Eight new appointments have been made to the faculty for the current school year. Two are alumni: F. Phillip Van Eyl '55 (just completed preliminary work for his Ph.D. at Claremont College) who will be instructor in the department of psychology, and David Karsten '51 (M.A. Northwestern U.), instructor in English and speech.

Two of the new appointments are returning to the Hope faculty: Dr. Alice Elliott who taught at Hope from 1952 to 1955, has returned as professor of biology; Dr. Joseph Zsiros, a member of the Bible staff from 1948 to 1952, returned as associate professor of Greek.

Dr. Gerhard Megow, a native of Germany, came to Hope from Murray State Teacher's College, Kentucky. He will be assistant professor of German. A naturalized citizen, he received his Ph.D. from Indiana University.

Mr. Albert L. Schaberg will be an instructor in the music department. He will be in charge of the band, some instrumental ensembles and will teach brass instruments as well as literature and theory. His major instrument is the French Horn. He attended Oberlin and was graduated from Michigan State University. He has a Master of Music degree from Eastman School of Music.

Dr. John Utzinger, who received his B.A. from Occidental College, his M.A. and Ph.D. from the University of Washington, has come to Hope to be instructor in the department of philosophy. He will also teach psychology courses.

Miss Esther Holcombe, who will be catalogue librarian, has held library positions at Ball State Teachers College, Manchester College and James Millikin University. She received her undergraduate education at Taylor University and her degree in Library Science from the University of Michigan.

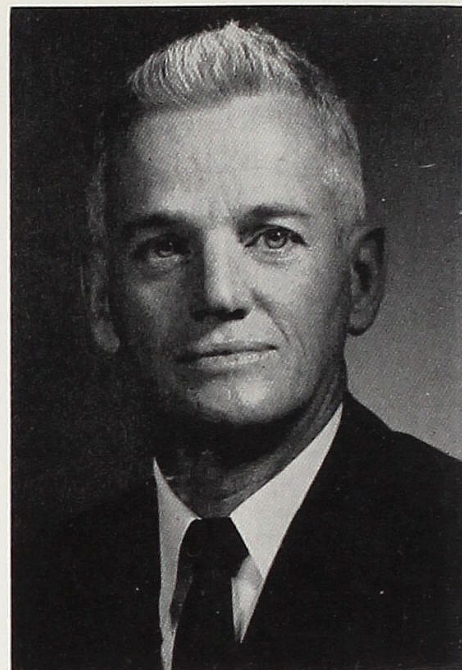
### NEW POSITIONS

Kenneth L. Cuddeback '52 has been appointed Accounting Supervisor of the cold reduction and sheet finishing departments by Midwest Steel Corporation, a division of National Steel Corporation. Midwest Steel will build a new finishing mill on the shores of Lake Michigan nine miles east of Gary, Indiana.

Ken is a former Methods Analyst at Fairless Works. He will move his family from Levittown, Pennsylvania, to Indiana. He is currently a member of the Hope College Board of Trustees representing the Particular Synod of New Jersey.

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August Van Eerden '42 has accepted the position of business manager of the St. Joseph public school system. For the past two years he has been business manager of the Muskegon Public Schools.



Wendell A. Miles

### CONVOCATION SPEAKER

Wendell A. Miles '38, United States District Attorney for Western Michigan, addressed the Ninety-Fifth Convocation of Hope College students on September 17 in Dimnent Memorial Chapel. Mr. Miles challenged the students to make maturity the purpose of their college education. To achieve maturity he suggested that they pursue three basic objectives: moral integrity; the disciplines of democracy and the facing of their deepest problems.

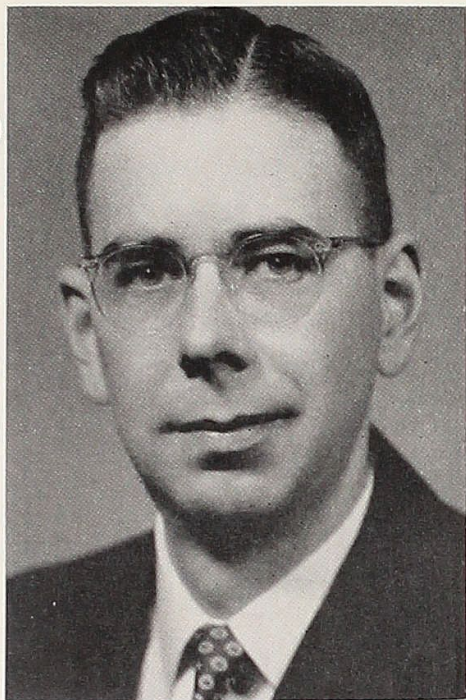
### GIFTS AND GRANTS

Hope College has received a grant for \$39,503 from the United States Office of Education to continue the psychological study of leadership abilities in school children currently being carried on by Dr. Robert De Haan, chairman of the Hope College psychology department. The local study is part of the Cooperative Research Program launched by Congress in 1956.

### NECROLOGY

George Veenker '16, football coach and athletic director at Iowa State University for 15 years, died on September 8 of cancer. He went to Iowa State in 1930 and retired as athletic director in 1945. His Cyclones upset Iowa 31-6 in 1934 in the last meeting of the schools. (Editor's note: news of the death of Mr. Veenker reached us as we go to press. This one item concerning part of his career in athletics was contained in a notice of Mr. Veenker's death in an Iowa paper. There was no time to get more details of his life for this issue.)





Paul Dame

### NEW PRESIDENT ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

Paul Dame, class of 1944, was elected president of the Hope College Alumni Association at the annual meeting on May 30 on the campus. Paul has been a member of the Association, representing the Kalamazoo Club, since 1956, and vice-president since June 1957. He succeeds Max Boersma '46 who served two terms.

Currently manager, Office Services, The Upjohn Company in Kalamazoo, he joined the company in 1947 as its first college trainee in Finance program. He has worked in accounting areas, budget, audit, inventory, tax and others. In 1949 he became department head of Communications and Office Purchases Department. He was promoted to his present position in 1956.

A native of Holland, Paul attended schools in Muskegon and Grand Rapids, including one year at Calvin College. After two years at Hope, he entered the service in 1943 and attended the U. of South Dakota. As a member of the Quartermaster Corps, he served in both the European and Far Eastern Theatres in Engineer Construction Battalions until his discharge in 1946. The following year he received his B.S. and A.B. degrees from Western Michigan University.

In Kalamazoo he is active in the YMCA, Community Chest, Chamber of Commerce, is deacon, treasurer and Sunday School teacher in Second Reformed Church.

Familywise he is married to Marie Van Huis of Holland, and has three sons: Donald, 8; Kenneth, 5 and David, 2.

### REPRESENTING HOPE COLLEGE

Rutherford G. Huizinga '27 at the inauguration of Vincent Brown Coffin as Chancellor of the University of Hartford, April 21, 1959.

Robert J. Stewart '35 at the inauguration of David Grier Martin as President of Davidson College, April 22, 1959.

Bernard H. Shoemaker '26 at the Founders Day Convocation, Valparaiso University, April 24, 1959.

Randall B. Bosch '53 at the inauguration of Mason Welch Gross as president of Rutgers, the State University, May 6, 1959.

Henry Steffens '30 at the inauguration of John Edward Horner as the Thirteenth President of Hanover College, May 9, 1959.

Merle Vanden Berg '48 at the inauguration of President Wilson as the President of Findlay College, June 6, 1959.

Miss Lois Bailey, Reference Librarian at Hope College, represented Hope at the AAUW Biennial Convention at Kansas City in June 1959.

### NOTICE RECENT GRADUATES

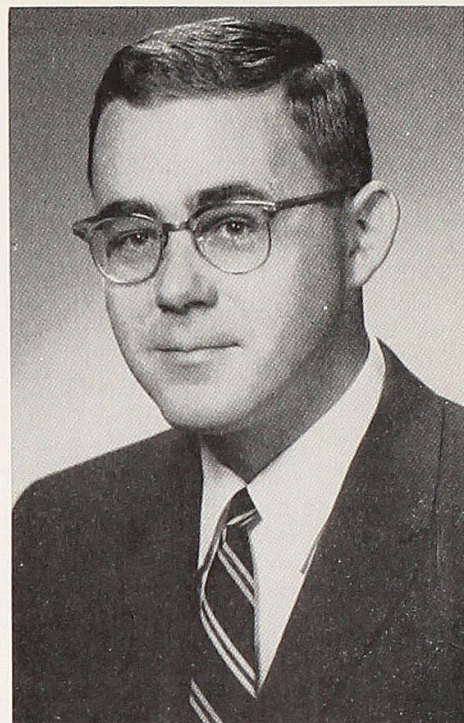
The Danforth Foundation invites applications for the 1960 class of Danforth Graduate Fellows from college senior men and recent graduates who are preparing for a career of college teaching, and planning to enter graduate school in September, 1960. The Foundation welcomes applicants from the areas of Natural and Biological Sciences, Social Sciences, Humanities and all fields of specialization to be found in the undergraduate college.

Hope's President Irwin J. Lubbers has named Dean Milton L. Hinga as the Liaison Officer to nominate two or not to exceed three candidates for these 1960 fellowships to the Foundation. All applications must be completed by January 31, 1960. Hope men wishing further information should contact Dean Hinga.

### NEWS FLASH!

As we go to press we received word that Everett T. Welmers '32 has been selected to work on special space projects of the Department of Defence Advanced Research Projects Agency. He has received a year's leave of absence from his position as director of plans and programs for Bell Aircraft's Niagara Frontier Division.

Dr. Welmers has served with several Department of Defense study groups and recently was named to the Air Force's Air Training Advisory Board. He will be active in the areas of ballistic missile defense and space technology.



Howard J. Koop

### KOOP NAMED GOVERNOR'S FINANCIAL AID

Howard J. Koop '49 was named financial adviser to Wisconsin's Governor Gaylord Nelson in August. This appointment requires his second leave from his position as assistant comptroller of the Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Co., Milwaukee, to assist in government. Last January, shortly after taking the position with Northwestern, Governor Nelson asked Koop to be Chief Technical Aid in the reorganization of the Wisconsin State Government.

In his recent appointment Howard will be a coordinator between Governor Nelson and two groups now studying major changes in Wisconsin's tax structure: a tax impact study by a group of University of Wisconsin professors, and a citizen's committee to recommend tax changes on the basis of the professors' study.

Howard is well qualified by education and experience for his government work in Wisconsin. Besides being a Hope graduate, he has his M.S. in Government Management from the University of Denver where he studied as a Carnegie Fellow. He has also studied government at the University of Michigan as a Research Fellow.

Formerly, from 1951 to 1955, he was director of budget analysis for the state of Wisconsin and helped reorganize the state highway commission. He worked briefly as financial analyst for the Ford Motor Co. in Detroit and for the Citizens' Governmental research bureau in Milwaukee before joining Northwestern Mutual.



FOR the springtime tourist in the nation's capital, Washington, D.C. is a beautiful city—inspiring with its impressive buildings and breath-taking with its limitless flowering shrubs. This describes our reaction when we came here for a weekend late in March of 1957. The purpose of our visit was to enable us to decide what our answer should be to a possible invitation to be pastor and wife to Sherwood Presbyterian Church on Washington's northeast side.

Realizing that it was conceivable we might take up residence here, we became interested in more than Washington's imposing edifices and beauty spots. We learned that Washington's northeast side, following famous 1954 and 1955 Supreme Court decisions, was desegregated. We also learned it was again rapidly becoming segregated due to the mass exodus of white people moving to suburban Maryland and Virginia, selling their vacated homes to negroes. In many ways the temperament of the community was that of a southern city in regard to racial matters.

On the edge of this changing community, standing on the boundary line between D.C. and suburban Maryland, was the church building where the worship and activities of this congregation took place. Its membership was completely "white," made up of persons who remained in the community, lived on the Maryland side of the church which had not become desegregated and of a substantial number who had moved five to ten miles away into suburban Maryland and Virginia. Although there was an absence of any type of violence, racial tensions were real and deep. Church members were determined to keep the church "white." This was the community situation of the church and its membership.

The church program, we had learned during a previous visit my husband had made, was a stable one with good potential for development. The total membership stood just under 1,000 and there was an indication from the pulpit committee that the congregation was prepared to call an assistant minister. In addition to this they had moved to their present location in 1952 when they erected first an educational building and then in 1956 a sanctuary.

The manse, always an item of interest to the wife, we saw and liked. It was situated three blocks from the church, in an attractive neighborhood not more than twenty years old. We were informed that families living on either side were negro, one with a child approximately the same age as our older daughter, and the other with no children. The committee wished us to understand that if for any reason the manse did not satisfy us, the church was prepared to sell it and we could locate any where we desired.

Needless to say, much prayerful thought went into our decision. On June 15, 1957 we officially took residence in the manse. Within a few months we were the only white family in the block and more children had arrived within the general age bracket of our two children, and playmate relationships were quickly and readily established. I found myself wondering if my adult neighbors and I would be able to enjoy the acceptance of each other as our children had. This came more slowly. As we all moved cautiously in not pushing ourselves to each other, we discovered common interests in music,

# HOW CAN OR DOES A CHURCH OF WHITE MEMBERS FACE THE ISSUE OF INCLUSIVE MEMBER- SHIP IN A RECENTLY DESEGREGATED COMMUNITY?

*By Janet Clark De Vries '43*

**Racial tensions were real and deep, but through respectful and sincere discussions, our church met the challenge imposed by community, Presbytery, Supreme Court, Bible and Christian concept.**



education, and parent responsibilities. One primary factor, I am convinced, that has made our neighborhood situation such a pleasant one is that all of the families are Christian. Each of us has a different denominational affiliation, but this has served to broaden the understanding of our children. When the children have lunch together, grace before the meal is taken for granted by each of them.

But what of the church? In December 1957 a negro family began attending our church. Both husband and wife are children of ministers. Both were members of another Presbyterian church in our city. After they first came, they expressed a desire to join this congregation, an eminently natural expression for a Presbyterian family that has moved from one area to another. The most difficult task a minister ever had to perform was to go to that home and tell them, that our congregation was not prepared to accept them, at least at that time. They were asked, assuming they wished Sherwood to be their church home, to come for an indefinite period. We discussed with them the realistic factor that immediate pressure for membership would most likely be refused by the session; and that patient work behind the scenes in a congregation in which not more than five percent were affirmative toward church desegregation, would get under way. Beyond the initial expression of interest in membership, sustained by regular attendance at worship and family nights, they did not press the matter and always showed a gracious spirit in a very difficult situation.

How can or does a church of white members face the issue of inclusive membership when it finds itself in a desegregated community? For one thing it can accept negroes into membership on the same basis as anyone else. This is the position of our denomination. Without being critical of persons opposed to this and merely as a statement of fact, this was not an acceptable alternative for many persons in our congregation.

From the time this family first expressed interest in membership until January 1959 the Session discussed all alternatives. Discussions, despite deep feelings and differences, were a credit to the Session. They were carried on with respect and sincerity. The Session at its January 1959 meeting discussed the issue with the purpose of arriving at a decision. Its decision was that racial factors could no longer be used to deny membership to any Christian person who otherwise met the qualifications for membership. At the February meeting of the Session the negro family was received into membership by the fifteen member session, only two members dissenting. Appropriately, they were publicly received at the Maundy Thursday Communion service.

On March 8, 1959, my husband (Calvin De Vries '43) felt his responsibility as pastor, to speak on this issue directly from the pulpit. He had become aware of threats of division and insurgent feelings. At the close of his sermon he said:

"Originally, the sermon this morning was to deal with a text that stands at the end of Paul's moving letter to the Philippians. Strangely enough it has a singular appropriateness this morning: 'All the saints greet you, especially those of Caesar's household.' Of all the seemingly impossible places to be a Christian in the first century, when this letter was written, none can be more dramatic than Nero's household—for he was the emperor.



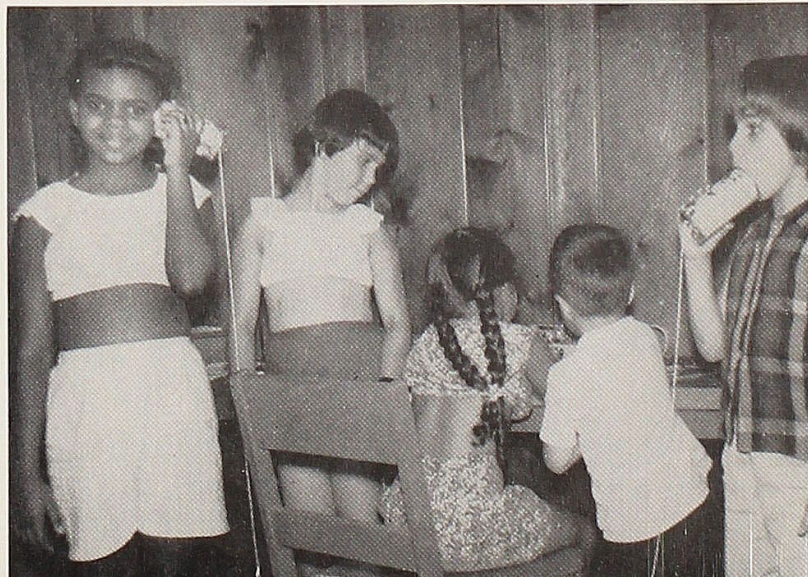
"Color" is irrelevant to children who pray together

Many of us here this morning, including myself, do not always find it easy to be Christians. We are tempted to run from hard situations. Although we are in anything but a Nero's household, yet how profoundly we can understand the problems of being Christian in a difficult time and place.

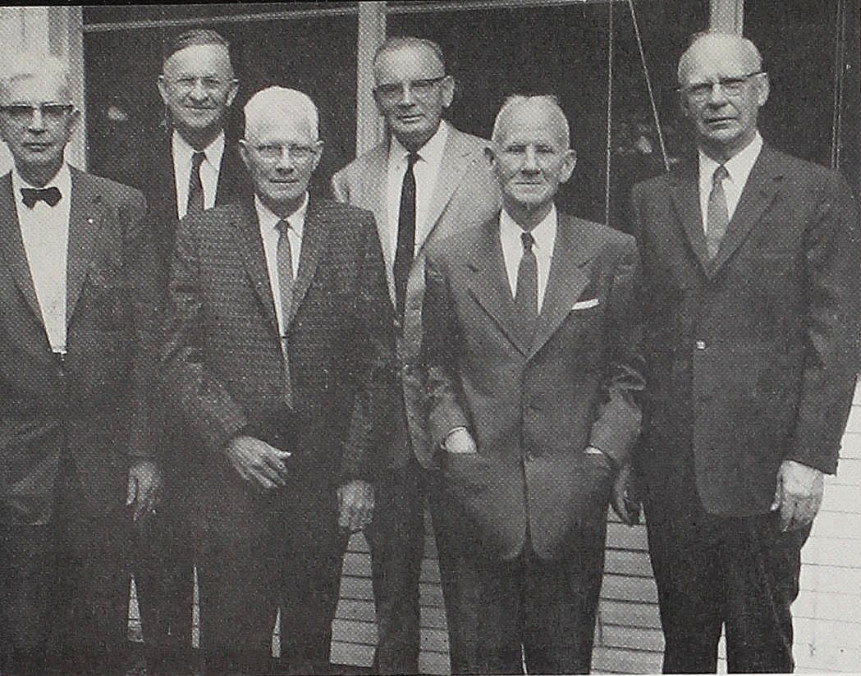
Suppose that it was God's providential plan that placed Christians in Nero's household? Suppose that they had become turncoats? With what scant regard history should consider them. Now, let us ask in turn whether it is not possible that God in his wise providence has brought us each to this hour to be saints, to be Christians in a difficult situation? My dear friends, it is just this that we profess to be our faith. Shall we retreat? If we retreat, how can we answer to the almighty God. Let us rather thank God for the privilege of serving Christ in a Nero's household, that is, in a difficult situation. Let us be thankful that for us Christianity is not a matter for dileantes, a mere amenity that finally has no answer to the deep needs of our world. Let us rise to the opportunity and challenge which confront us; here we struggle with great issues over which God shall make us victors, and for our witness, and our victory, our children and their children after them shall rise up to call us blessed."

As I write this in August 1959 we have grateful hearts that our congregation has still a "togetherness." There are still varying viewpoints on this issue but many for whom this was the most difficult have realized that just as Peter found it difficult when called upon to go to the Roman Cornelius, so God calls even us.

... and play together.







#### CLASS OF 1909

Front row (left to right): Peter Pleune, John Wolterink, Victor Blekkink, Wynand Wichers. Back row: John A. Dykstra, Milton Hoffman.



Front row, (left to right): Henry De Pree '02, Henry Mollema '07, Mrs. De Y. Minnie Vander Ploeg Marsilje '02, Magdalena Keppel Duven '02, Victor Blekkink '01, Wayer '01. Back row: Henry Vander Naald '03, Abraham De Young '00, Mrs. Mrs. Haaksema, Nettie De Jong '06, Matt Duven '04, Peter Pleune '09, John

## 1959 CLASS



First row (left to right): Visscher Verduin, Ver Meulen, Maas, Miller, Peelen, Mary Boer Wierks, Heemstra, Alice B. Hoffs, Jacob Prins, '18N. Second row: Mrs. Cuper, John

#### CLASS

First row (left to right): 28G, Ada Boone, Eleanor Verwey, Jacob Pelon, Flora Schaack, Second row: Raak, Frieda Boon, 27G, Mildred Dulgen, Margaret Groen, Prakken, Elizabeth Al Vanderbush, Th. '27G, Norman Van der Hart, Mrs. huis, George Kloof, Fourth row: Dirk, Floyd Kleinjan, Klaasen.

#### CLASS

First row (left to right): Vander Waag, Maas, Paul M. Myrehn, Bach, Don Ihrmann, Groth, Fred J. Barendse, Louise Tins, Barb Van Dyke, V. Kragt, Frances Sch. Prins De Haan, Virg. Mary Vande Wege, '49G, Elaine Bielefeld, Van Weelden Ihrmann, Weener, Claire W. Harold Groth, A. Third row: Bob V. Gwen Lemmen Kraai, ma, Jack Yeomans, Staal, Jay Weener.

#### CLASS

First row (left to right): Mrs. Prins, Lee F. Wierenga Veenstra, Mary Lo Ziegler, Glennyce Kleis, R. Second row: Mrs. William Helder, J. Wagen, Howard V. row: Dr. Lawrence Prins, Robert Dethm. Vander Wagen, Nor





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Mollema, Mrs. Wayer, Emma Kollen Pieters '87, Olive Barnaby Pasma '09, Nyda De Pree Wichers '09, John Wolterink '09, Albert Hoeksema '01, James Bok, Milton Hoffman '09, Mrs. Wolterink, Mae Veneklasen Vander Meulen '04, '09, Wynand Wichers '09, Cornelius Vander Meulen '00, Jacob Brouwer '04.



#### CLASS OF 1914

Front row (left to right): Mrs. Kroodsmma, Mrs. Jacobs, Mrs. Riemersma, Jeannette Veldman. Back row: Robert Kroodsmma, Henry Jacobs and John J. Riemersma.

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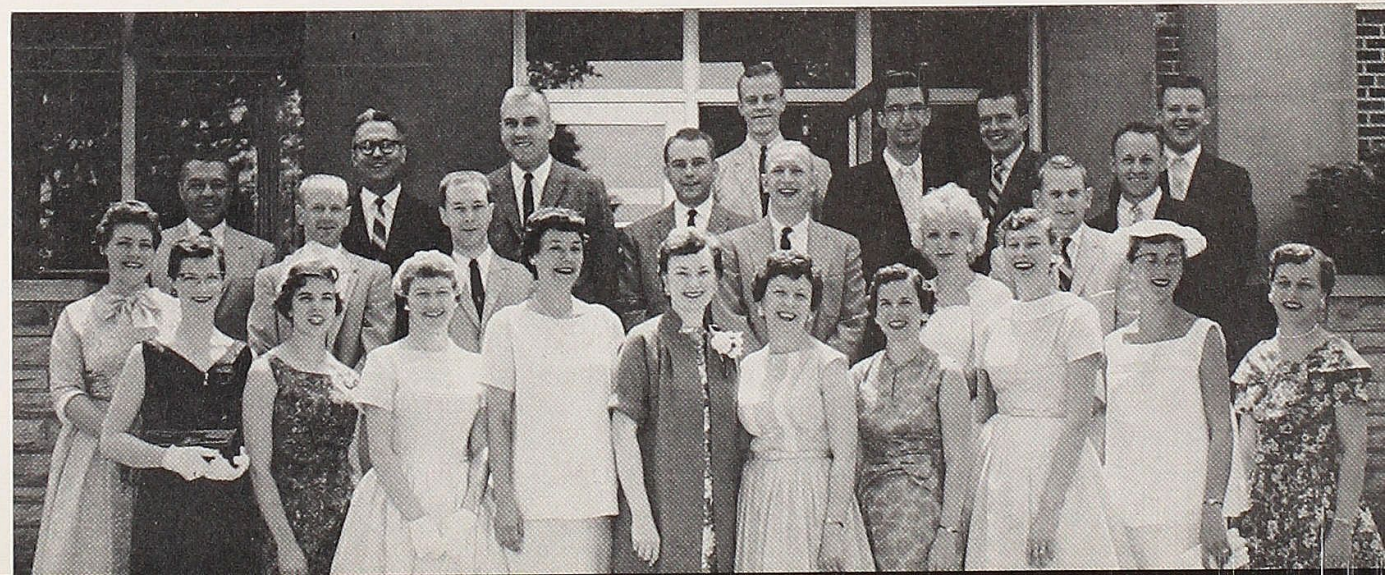
Christa Kots Kraai Wagenaar Joelson, Brink, Emily Pelon, Laug, Eva Van Kraai, Clarence van "Cappy" Buys, Edward T. Houste, Jerine Koning Vanderbush '53G, Sarah Dykstra Mouw '6G, Edith McGilvra Huis, Gerald Bolcken, Leon Bosch, Floyd Kleinjan, Mrs. Clarence Klaasen.

1949

E. Tirrell, Alfred Donald E. Rinkus, Donald Walchen, Kolk, Harold Second row: Gene Van Loo Barendse, Elizabeth Weaver Rinkus '52N, Peggy Veicht Myrehn '51N, Ruth Koop Yoemans Benbach '46G, Lynn G, Jean Wiersma Vander Kolk, Mrs. Veltman '49N, Russell J. Kraay, Annie Hinga Boers, De Haan, Theresa Boersma '46N.

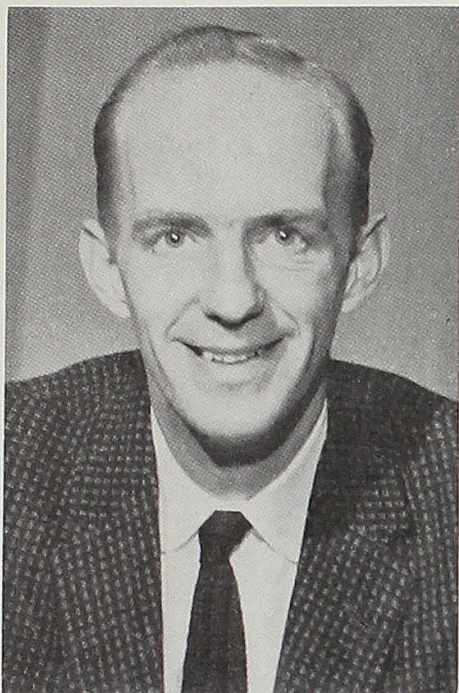
CLASS 5

Mulder Scholten, Mrs. Giebink, Jean Alber Van Dahm, Klepper Jansma, Schultz Busman, Eugene Scholten, Giebink, Mrs. Vander John Busman. Top row: Larry Veenstra, Robert Russcher, Siebert, Donald Jansma.





# HOPE GRADUATES IN NEW POSITIONS



Alfred H. Rypstra

Alfred H. Rypstra '46 had a lifelong ambition realized in May when he became a city manager. After serving as deputy to the Grand Rapids City Manager for four years, he was moved to his new position.

Al started preparing for the position he dreamed of holding while in high school, by majoring in sociology at Hope College. Upon graduation he received a Volker fellowship to Wayne State University to complete work for his master's degree in Public Administration in 1947. His jobs on the way to his goal included serving on the staff of the Detroit Bureau of Governmental Research, now the Citizens Research Council and the Taxpayers Federation of Illinois. He was head of the Better Business Bureau in Grand Rapids before he became deputy to the former City Manager in 1955. He has also been an instructor in political science at Grand Rapids Junior College.

Other professional services have included membership on the Little Hoover Commission Committee on reorganization of State Government in 1951 and also on a State committee on costs of higher education in 1955.

Mrs. Rypstra is Irene Lundie who was graduated from Hope in 1945. There are two Rypstra children and the family lives at 1921 Plymouth Terrace, S.E. They are members of Hope Reformed Church where Al has served on the Board of Deacons.

Ruth Joldersma '46 was appointed Secretary of the Board for the Christian World Mission By General Synod RCA in June. She succeeds Miss Ruth Ransom, retired.

Miss Joldersma did graduate work at Western Reserve University where she received her Master of Social Work degree in 1951. Her professional experience includes working in the Erie Neighborhood House in Chicago; Family Service Center, in Kalamazoo; Board of Cooperative Educational Services, Student Adjustment Service, Patchogue, N. Y. She has also done psychiatric social work.

As a member of the First Reformed Church, West Sayville, N. Y., she has been youth advisor to its high school group, missionary education chairman of the Women's Guild and teacher of a class of high school girls. She was a leader in the National Youth Assembly of 1958.

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Rev. A. A. Dykstra '35 has been engaged by the three colleges of the Reformed Church in America as a field representative. He will be available throughout the denomination to promote the cause of Christian Higher Education at any type of church meeting.

A graduate of Western Seminary, Mr. Dykstra has served Reformed churches in Maple Lake, Minnesota; Gary, Indiana; Kalamazoo, Michigan and Rock Valley, Iowa. He was the original chairman of the Stewardship Council RCA, serving for six years. He was president of the Particular Synod of Iowa in 1956.

The Rev. and Mrs. (Bernice Mollema '32) Dykstra, and their six sons are living at 83 West 13th Street, Holland.

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Maurice C. Laug '45 has been named Head Chemist for the Holliday Food Company (a division of Swift & Company) Frozen Food Plant at Union, Missouri. He has been with Swift & Company since 1954 when he started as a bacteriologist at the Research Laboratories in Chicago. He has also been training officers of a USNR unit in Joliet, Illinois.

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Ralph and Anna Ruth Korteling Winter, both '19, evangelistic and medical missionaries to India for thirty-three years, arrived in Puerto Cabezas, Nicaragua in April. They are under a two year appointment with the Moravian Mission Board on loan from the Board of Christian World Missions RCA.



Harry H. Meiners, Jr.

Harry H. Meiners, Jr. '47, has been in Las Cruces, New Mexico, since July 1. He has a new position as General Secretary of the Reformed Presbyterian Church in North America, General Synod. His work consists of editorial and administrative duties and can be carried on in his home. A new home, especially constructed for wheelchair living, was built for the Meiners family: Harry, Betty Fuller '47 Meiners and their five children. Since Harry's bout with paralytic polio, starting in 1954, it has been determined by physicians that he should live and work in a warm, dry climate. He has been serving the Reformed Presbyterian Church in Duanesburg, New York, since he graduated from Westminster Seminary in 1950.

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Dr. Earl S. Huyser '51, who has been with Dow Chemical Company for the past two years, has been appointed assistant professor of chemistry at the University of Kansas.

The position Dr. Huyser started on September 1, was authorized two years ago, but has remained vacant for lack of an exceptionally qualified applicant. After receiving his Ph.D. degree from the University of Chicago in 1954, he finished a tour of duty with the U.S. Army Chemical Corps before joining Dow.

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Howard D. Hartough '36 was elected president of the Chemical Products Division of Chemetron Corporation in May. He was previously general manager of Girdler Catalysts, Louisville, a part of the Chemical Products Division.





Mildred Singleton

### HOPE'S LIBRARIAN RETIRES

Miss Mildred Singleton, Head Librarian at Hope College for the past ten years, retired at the end of the past school year. She was honored at the Board of Trustees-faculty luncheon and presented a transistor radio by members of the faculty.

During the decade of her service at Hope, Miss Singleton saw the library grow to include a well organized system of cataloging, open stacks and properly staffed operation with a book circulation of 33,760 volumes during the past year.

In 1949 the college Board of Trustees discussed, but voted down, the building of a new library. Instead, Miss Singleton was hired to do the work needed to reorganize and unify the library to build it to adequate college standards.

Her theory being "On the college campus the library should be the heart—the learning center," Miss Singleton left feeling that "during the past ten years this 'heart' at Hope has really begun to pulsate."

Asked what her greatest satisfaction has been in library work, Miss Singleton was quick to reply, "The greatest satisfaction I have had is to see a student going into the stacks with one call number and coming out with an armful of books."

Miss Singleton will leave Holland late this fall for Tuscon, Arizona, where she plans to spend the winter months.

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Peter J. Koppenaal '20 retired in June from his position in the mathematics department at the Milwaukee Vocational School, the largest school of its kind in the world today.

Mr. Koppenaal spent his career in school work: 39 years since his graduation from Hope College. Thirty-one years were devoted to the Milwaukee Vocational School program. At one time he was President of the Teachers Association of the school which comprized the 350 teachers.

Mr. and Mrs. Koppenaal have three sons: William, an electrical engineer with General Electric; Richard, Ph.D., Professor of Psychology at the University of Manitoba and Theodore, metallurgical engineer.

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Dr. William G. Hoebeke '11, former president of the Kalamazoo Academy of Medicine, announced his retirement after 40 years of practice in Kalamazoo, in September.

A native of Grand Rapids, Dr. Hoebeke attended the University of Pennsylvania for his medical work after graduation from Hope College in 1911. He began his practice in Kalamazoo following duty overseas in World War I.

During his wartime service he rose to first lieutenant in the medical corps in charge of all fracture work in the U.S. Army Base Hospital in Nevers, France.

Dr. Hoebeke established his practice in Kalamazoo in 1919 as a physician and surgeon. He later specialized in gynecology and obstetrics.

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### ADVANCED DEGREES

John Giebink '54, Ph. D. Psychology, U. of Wis., January 1959.

John M. Kenwell '54, M.D., U. of Buffalo, June 1958.

Mary Schrier '53, M.A. Children's Psychiatrics, U. of Mich., 1958.

Joseph W. Gross '56, LL.B., Stetson U., May 29, 1959.

Laverne Lampen '56, M.A. Admin. and Ed. Services, Mich. State U., March 24, 1959.

Roger Borr '58, M.A. Education, Mich. State U., June 1959.

John J. Witte '54, M.D. Johns Hopkins U., June 9, 1959.

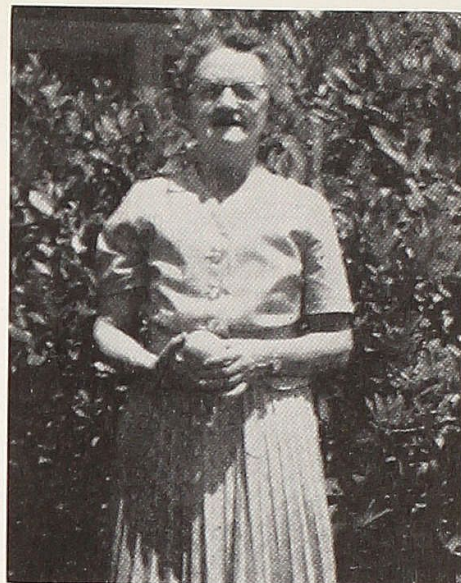
Donald J. Vander Toll '55, M.D., U. of Louisville, June 1959.

William H. Heydorn '55, M.D. Yale U., June 8, 1959.

Donald L. Damstra and Harvey E. Doornebos, M.D.'s, Northwestern U., June 1959.

Robert H. Fortiner '55, M.D., U. of Rochester, June 1959.

David C. De Jong, Donald J. Heyboer, David W. Kempers, Bernard J. Stremeler, Donald B. Vande Polder and Jerold P. Veldman, M.D.'s, U. of Mich., June 1959.



Jeannette Vander Ploeg

### MISS VANDER PLOEG RETIRES

Miss Jeannette Vander Ploeg '21, on the faculty of San Jose State College since 1929, retired in June.

Miss Vander Ploeg went to San Jose State to be head of the cataloging department of the college library and teach parttime in the newly established department of Librarianship. She left the Library in 1951 to become a full time teacher. During her tenure there she watched the college grow from 2,500 to 12,000 in regular attendance. Her comment: "It hasn't been an entirely pleasant experience to see the college—and the campus—get so large. One gets to know few of the 600 faculty members and everything becomes more and more impersonal."

"However, I've had a wonderful time teaching here, and many times my mind goes back to the little rural school on the North Dakota prairie where I had 13 children and all 8 grades! And served as teacher, janitor, snow-shoveler, nurse and anything else such a situation called for! I often wonder what any child could learn in 10 minute classes!"

Since she long ago decided she was going to retire while she was still able to do some of the things she'd long wanted to do, she will visit Washington, D. C. and several friends throughout the South this fall. A year hence she hopes to fulfill a dream of long standing and visit the Orient. And then she's considering taking a summer session Social Science Workshop called "Problems of the Aging!" To start her retirement and fill her "vacation" she has been a saleswoman at a thrift shop supported by a Presbyterian children's agency, and has taken on the duties of a Presbyterian deacon, all part of her program to "be of some service now."



## 1926

Jeannette Veldman has returned to her work in Kuwait, Persian Gulf (American Mission Hospital, Box 80). She will go to Muscat in October to conduct another staff education program in the hospital there—all teaching will be in Arabic.

## 1930

Joyce Klassen Crookshank '28 is the writer of an article, *Breaking the Sound Barrier*, published in "Elim 1959," a publication of the Elim Christian School for Handicapped Children in Worth, Illinois. Joyce is a member of the school's faculty.

## 1932

William Clough, M.D. attended the American Medical Society meeting in Vienna during the summer where he did work in Cardiology. He also worked in Zurich and Turin.

## 1934

Dr. Theodore S. Renzema, Chairman of the Physics Department at Clarkson College of Technology, was named President of the New York State Section of the American Physical Society in April at the spring session held at Rennselaer Polytechnic Institute.

## 1939

John W. Wybenga, was one of 60 teachers from 20 states who attended Clark University's 1959 Summer Institute for mathematics. He is a teacher of mathematics at Highland Park Jr. College, Highland Park, Michigan.

## 1941

Marvin J. Den Herder, section leader at the Whiting research laboratories of Standard Oil Company (Indiana), spoke before the American Chemical Society meeting Boston on April 10. His paper revealed how hydrocarbon jet fuels, of far higher energy content than now known, can be made from petroleum. The new fuels are designed for planes that will fly 2000 miles per hour. Several of his Whiting associates collaborated in the research reported by Dr. Den Herder.

## 1943

The doctor's dissertation approved by the U. of Michigan, written by Everett Kleinjans, is titled "A Descriptive-Comparative Study Predicting Interference for Japanese in Learning English Noun-Head Modification Patterns."

## 1943

Harold and Bernice Freligh '40 Mackey are now located in Pullman, Wash. Bernice is teaching in a private kindergarten; Harold is a Teaching Assistant in the Department of Sociology and Anthropology, Washington State U., while working on a Ph.D. degree in Social Research. Daughter, Margaret, is a freshman in high school and son, David, is in the fifth grade.

## 1947

Joanne Decker Denko, who has completed two years of her residency in psychiatric medicine at the University of Michigan, will start her third year, adult behavior service at Ohio State this fall where her husband, Charles, will be setting up a research laboratory in basic science aspects of arthritic and connective tissue diseases.

## 1948

Dr. Thomas Van Dahm, a member of Hope's economics and business staff, did post-doctoral study at the University of Indiana on a study grant from the Ford Foundation during the 1959 summer session.

## 1948

Ernest H. Post, Jr., was named football line coach and sociology instructor at Juniata College in Huntingdon, Pa., late in August. He has been mathematics instructor and line coach at Holland High for the past four years.

## 1949

Ted Flaherty and his family began a new assignment in April. They are now teaching at Ferris Girl's School in Yokohama, Japan. Ted is teaching in the Junior College: Bible and English. He also has charge of the Yokohama Christian Service Center which was founded by Rev. John De Maagd '24 in 1948.

## 1950

Frank Zwemer M.D. is in the third year of a four year surgical residency program at Cleveland Metropolitan General Hospital. He received a Clinical Fellowship from the American Cancer Society for this year. Ann Jansma Zwemer received a Master of Science degree in Nursing Administration in June from Western Reserve University.

Frank and Ann have been appointed by the Board for Christian World Missions, RCA, to work in India. They have been appointees since 1954 and hope to begin their work when Frank completes his work in surgery in July, 1961.

## 1951

Howard E. Newton received the Master of Sacred Theology degree, magna cum laude from Union Theological Seminary in May. Dr. James Muilenburg '20 delivered the principal address at the graduation service in Riverside Church. Howard plans to continue for the Ph.D. degree and eventually teach Biblical literature on a college or university campus. His wife is the former Frances Perry, a Douglas College graduate in 1951. She was a research chemist for Squibb laboratories in New Brunswick before her marriage. The Newtons are now serving the Reformed Church, Middletown, N. J.

## 1951

Capt. Robert M. Japinga, on June 20, received the Commendation Ribbon with

metal Pendant for meritorious service rendered in Thule, Greenland during the shipping season of 1958.

Bob and Sally Schrier '53 Japinga attended the Hope College Vienna School reunion held at Nuremberg, Germany. They with their two sons, Ricky, 7 and Billy, 4, are now stationed at Augsburg, Germany for a three year tour of duty.

## 1951

Charles Votaw, M.D. has, since June 1958, been a full time instructor in the department of Anatomy at the U. of Michigan Medical School. He teaches medical students half time and does neuroanatomical research half time. After receiving his M.D. at Michigan in 1955, he had a year of internship at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, Ann Arbor, then taught anatomy while doing graduate work to obtain his Ph.D. in anatomy, sub-specialty neuroanatomy, in 1958.

# CLASS

## 1952

Gordon De Pree, his wife Gladys, twins Marita and Michael, left the USA in July to fulfill their appointment by the board for the Christian World Mission of the Reformed Church in America to work in Servicemen's Guides in Hong Kong. Servicemen's Guides is a project under the joint auspices of the General Commission on Chaplains and the Division of Foreign Missions of the National Council of Churches of Christ in the U.S.A. In Hong Kong the De Prees will minister to the spiritual, physical, and moral needs of numbers of American and Allied Servicemen.

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## ADVANCED DEGREES

Western Seminary conferred the B.D. degree upon the following Hope men on May 20: Ronald P. Brown '55, David Hondorp '55, Richard De Witt '57, William Van Malsen '57, Robert Van Earden '58, Erwin Voogd '58, William J. Bouwer, Arie R. Brouwer, Donald De Braal, Donald Den Hartog, Vernon D. Hoffman, Gordon Laman, Bertrand Roskamp, Henry Stegenga, Elmer Vander Ploeg, Lyle Vander Werff and Gordon Webster of the class of 1956.

Vernon D. Hoffman received the Pieta-pol Prize for senior Excellence and first prize for Sermon Delivery. Donald de Braal was awarded second prize for Sermon delivery; Ronald P. Brown received first in Sermon Content Prize, Richard de Witt, second; Ron and



William Bocks has been named principal of Hamilton elementary school and eighth grade teacher by Supt. Raymond Lokers '40. His former teaching and coaching posts were in Bloomingdale and Martin High Schools.

#### 1952

May Louise Korteling Votaw who has completed two years of residency in internal medicine at University Hospital, Ann Arbor, is now on leave of absence to take care of a son, John Ralph, born May 11. After the leave, she will return to complete the remaining year of her specialty training. She received her M.D. at U. of M. in 1956, served her internship at University Hospital.

#### 1953

Walter Mayer has accepted a position as Assistant Professor (Research) with the Physics Department of Michigan State University. He started his duties on May 1.

## NOTES

#### 1953

Capt. George Hoekstra, M.D., his wife Dorothy Moerdyke, and their two sons, Louis and James, left New York August 22 for Asmara, Eritrea in Africa where Capt. Hoekstra will serve two years in a U.S. Army Hospital at the Signal Corps Headquarters in Asmara.

#### 1953

Kenneth Raak was graduated from South Dakota State College School of Pharmacy in June. He has accepted a position as pharmacist with the Toller Drug Company of Sioux City. His wife, Arthea, will teach fourth grade in Washington School in Sioux City.

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#### ADVANCED DEGREES

Richard shared second prize with their theses assigned by the Systematic Theology department with Lyle Vander Werff being awarded first.

New Brunswick Seminary graduates on May 21 included the following Hope men: Randall B. Bosch '53, Carl M. Kleis '54, Robert W. Bedingfield, James A. Neevel, Edwin C. Coon, Arthur H. Jentz, Jr., William H. Latham, Jr. and Donald S. Pangburn from the Class of 1956.

Edwin C. Coon was awarded the Sandham Prize and Arthur Jentz the Lode-wick Prize in preaching.

Ann Jansma Zwemer '50, M.S. Nursing, Western Reserve U., June 17, 1959.

Kenneth C. Brinza '52, M.D., Ohio State University, June 12, 1959.

#### 1953

William Grunden was appointed to the First Methodist Church of Stafford Springs, Conn., in June. The church history dates back to 1830. During the past year he organized a new Methodist Church in Glastonbury, Conn.

#### 1954

Capt. John Santinga, M.D. who has completed one year of his residency in internal medicine at Butterworth Hospital, Grand Rapids, left New York September 8 for Seville, Spain where he will serve three years at the Strategic Air Command Post there. His wife, Reda Rynbrandt '57, and their two children accompanied him.

#### 1954

John Scholten is organist and choir master at the Camp Hill Presbyterian Church, Camp Hill, Pennsylvania. He accepted the position in August, 1958.

#### 1955

Joan Pyle, Ferrysburg teacher, has been reelected President of the Michigan Christian Endeavor Union. This will be her third consecutive term in the office.

#### 1956

Robert De Young, Director of Guidance at Whitehall schools, was one of 65 graduate students, working in the field of guidance, chosen to attend the "Guidance Institute" at Michigan State University this past summer, sponsored by the National Government.

#### 1956

Ronald De Graw, who was graduated from the U. of Mich. Law School in February, passed the bar examination in April, is now practicing in Marshall, Mich.

#### 1956

Audrey Nienhuis Fritts and her husband, Robert, are taking a seven months course in Washington, D. C. in preparation for work with the State Department.

#### 1957

Robert and Mary Alice Ferguson Ritsema are teaching in Portage High School.

#### 1957

Larry Siedentop was awarded the Bowdoin Prize of \$500 for his essay, *Jean Bodin, Sovereignty and the State: an essay in Iconoclasm*. The Bowdoin Prize is the oldest prize at Harvard University and is open to all graduate students.

#### 1957

Ronald Den Uyl, who teaches physics and advanced mathematics and coaches cross country and track at South Haven High School, spent eight weeks of the summer at Kent State University, Ohio. He was the recipient of a National Science Foundation stipend in mathematics.

#### 1958

Jack Ver Hulst, in July, was assigned to the U. S. Army Human Research Unit in Fort Bliss, Texas. This assignment will continue for 22 months.

#### 1959

Gerald Boeve has received a \$900 assistantship in Physical Education from Michigan State University. The assistantship was given in conjunction with the elementary schools of East Lansing and his work will be done within this system. He is also working toward a master's degree in school guidance and counseling.

#### 1959

Austin A. Aardema received the 1959 Health Scholarship for Ottawa County. The scholarship is for \$2,000 for four years of college training. Austin is in his first year at Wayne State University Medical School.

#### 1959

Marlin Ensing accepted a position to teach in the Berlin High School at Marne, Michigan. He will teach mathematics and science and be class sponsor for the 9th grade.

#### 1959

Donald W. Vander Jagt has been awarded a National Defense Graduate Fellowship in mathematics at Florida State University. The fellowship carries a stipend of \$6400, runs for a period of three years and leads to the doctoral degree.

#### 1959

Janet Baird Weisiger who was a member of the class for two years, received her B.S. degree from Columbia U. on June 2, and her R.N. from the faculty of Medicine on June 3.

Kenneth E. Scudder began his graduate program for administrative work in tuberculosis or public health during the summer as a field trainee with the Hennepin County Tuberculosis Association in Minneapolis. This field training is the beginning of the graduate program in health administration at Wayne State University.

Wayne Vriesman has been awarded a graduate scholarship to the Medill School of journalism at Northwestern U.

Theodore A. Du Mez has been awarded a three year National Defense Graduate Fellowship at the University of Kentucky in World Politics.

#### 1924 Preparatory School

Margaret G. Meengs, with an associate, has during the summer opened a vacation *Barn on the Bay* for business and professional women in the central Cape Cod area. They are prepared to accommodate six vacationers at one time. The address is Box 26, East Sandwich, Mass.





Shields Cottage, 280 College Ave.



Doesburg Cottage, 50 E. 10th St.



Beck Cottage, 152 E. 9th St.



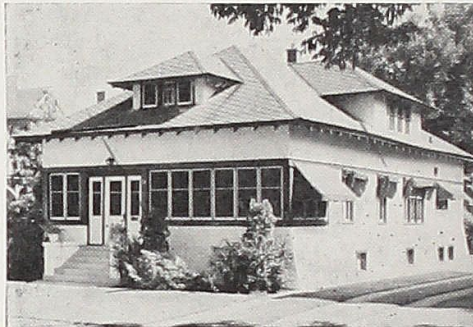
Crispell Cottage, 53 Graves Pl.

### CAMPUS ADDITIONS AND IMPROVEMENTS

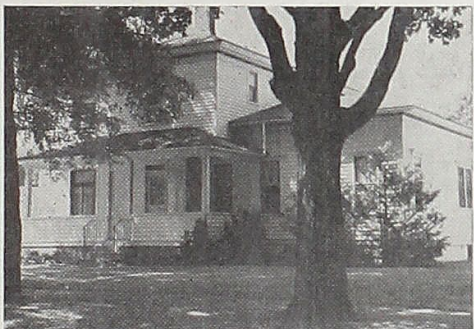
Hope College purchased eight new houses during the summer to provide for the increased enrollment. (As we go to press registration is in progress. The enrollment figure will be between 1300 and 1400). The new cottages were named for early faculty members. The new cottages and their locations are pictured here.

As of September 1 the new women's residence was progressing according to schedule. The picture of the structure was taken at that time.

Other upkeep and improvement projects completed this summer included new roof, new ceilings and lighting fixtures in Van Raalte Hall; complete redecoration of Durfee Hall and refurnishing of the lounge, and general remodeling and bringing up to date the furnishings of the fraternity houses.



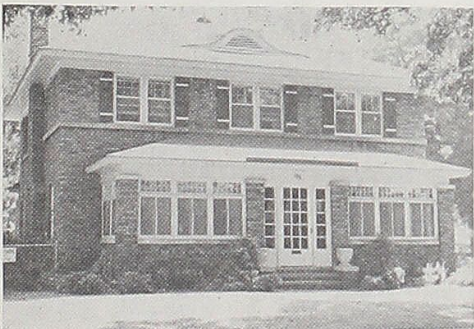
Mandeville Cottage, 88 E. 9th St.



Kleinheksel Cottage, 51 E. 12th St.



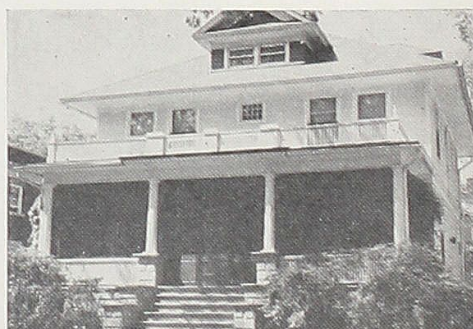
Oggel Cottage, 141 E. 10th St.



Scott Cottage, 144 E. 9th St.



Women's residence being built.



The new Emersonian House, 113 East 13th St.

### BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Adrian '53 and Gloria Gore '52 Bruininks, Betty Lynne, August 2, Grand Rapids.

Howard '56 and Marilyn Henning Laman, Jeffery, August 20, 1958, Grand Rapids.

Charles W. '48 and Louise Ter Beek '47 Claver, adoption of 2½ month old David Randall, June 22, 1959.

Joseph and Jean Harmelink Muyskens, (both '53), Ruth Jean, December 13, 1958, Kalamazoo.

William '53 and Loretta Grunden, Wesley Emanuel, August 16, Stafford Springs, Conn.

William C. '58 and Joanne McIntyre '57 Waggoner, Julianna Carol, Alma.

George '53 and Joyce Brunzell '51 Kamps, Mark Philip, September 6, St. Clair Shores, Mich.

### ADVANCED DEGREES

Mary LaHuis Sikkema '53, M.A. Education, Mich. State U., March, 1959.

Howard J. Laman '56, M.A. Elementary Administration and Supervision, WMU, June 13, 1959.

Marlin Lambers '50, M.A. General Administration and Supervision, WMU, June 13, 1959.

Robert De Young '56, M.S. Guidance, Michigan State U., August 1959.



# The Third Village Square A Success

The Third Village Square was staged on the campus on July 24 by the Hope College Women's League. The proceeds of well over \$7,000 are to be used for furnishings for the new women's residence under construction. Pictures: Top, left to right, Barbara Eilander Klaasen '50, publicite chairman, Isla Streur Schipper '50, Holland chairman, Marthena Bayles Bosch '26, League President, and Lois Op't Holt Workman '53, General Chairman, go over final details.

Middle: Dr. Lubbers cuts the ribbons to officially open the Village Square (Dr. Lubbers was named honorary Mayor of the "Village").

Left, Lucile Ver Schure Heeringa '36, treasurer, Isla Schipper, Barbara Klaasen, Dr. Lubbers, Shirley Gess Weller '50, arrangements chairman, and Chairman Lois Workman.

Bottom: The Imports Booth—always so attractive! (See anyone you know?)

Inset: Russell Norden '49 tries a Hope sweater on his little girl.

## ADVANCED DEGREES

Louie U. Brooks '52, M.A. Teaching Social Sciences, Western Michigan U., June 13, 1959.

Karl E. Vander Laan '56, M.A. Administration, Mich. State U., June 17, 1959.

Ronald J. De Graw '56, LL.B. U. of Mich., February, 1959.

John R. Scholten '54, M.Mus. Westminster Choir College, June, 1958.

Charles L. Votaw '51, Ph.D. Anatomy, U. of Mich., June, 1958.

Gordon K. Brummels '50, M.A. Teaching of Science and Math., WMU, July 30, 1959.

Barbara Soper Forwood '53, M.A. Teaching in the Ele. School, WMU, July 30, 1959.

Kenneth D. Louis '53, M.A. Teaching of Music, WMU, July 30, 1959.

Helen J. Markusse '53, M.A. Teaching in the Elementary School, WMU, July 30, 1959.

John E. Naber '51, Secondary Admin. and Supervision, WMU, July 30, 1959.

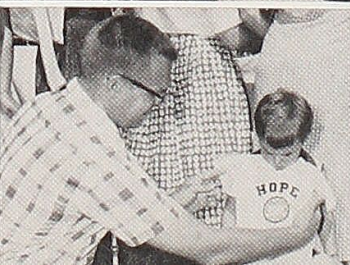
Yoshie Ogawa '58, M.A. English, U. of Connecticut, June 14, 1959.

Howard E. Newton '51, S.T.M. Union Seminary, May 26, 1959.

Richard L. Schulz '56, M.S. Mathematics, Florida State U., August 9, 1959.

Mary Alice Ferguson Ritsema '57, M.A. University of Michigan, August 1959.

Clarence J. Boerman '47, M.A. Education, University of Michigan, August 1959.





## BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

John '54 and Pat Giebink, William James, February 17, 1958, Tomah, Wis.

Gerald '57 and Loretta Giebink, Carl Allen, September 17, 1958, Boulder, Colo.

Forrest and Barbara Van Volkenburg '43 Darnell, James Richard, June 27, 1958, South Bend, Ind.

John '57 and Ann Finlaw '54 Holmlund, Jane Elizabeth, September 14, 1958, Grandville.

Chester J. '41 and Lucille Teninga '46 Toren, Paul Chester, December 23, 1958, Chicago.

Jerold '55 and Lois Tornga '56 Veldman, Timothy Scott, January 16, Ann Arbor.

Daniel and Joan Freeberg '52N Ricker, Todd Lawson, January 31, Levittown, L. I.

Gordon '57 and Diane Drake '57N Meeusen, Charles David, March 20, Hudsonville.

Arthur B. and Barbara Bennema '58 Dawdy, Paul Arthur, March 22, Cicero, Ill.

Donald '55 and Arla Baker, Janice Maureen, March 27, Holland.

Robert S. '57 and Mary Ann Peerbolt '57N Johnson, Steven Robert, March 28, Beech Grove, Ind.

Gerard J. '49 and Eloise Hinkamp '51 Van Heest, Jocelyn Lou, April 25, 1959; Gregory James, April 23, 1956; Timothy John, May 28, 1954, Schenectady, N. Y.

Gyte '52 and Mary Jane Van Zyl, Jane Ann, April 16, Alhambra, Calif.

James F. and Sue Klyn '58 Galer, Suzanne Jeanne, April 19, Aberdeen, Md.

Donald '49 and Elaine Bielefeld '46 Walchenbach, Carrie Ann, April 10, Grand Rapids.

Stanley '53 and Darlene De Beer '56 Vander Aarde, David Jon, April 24, Duluth, Minn.

John E. and Hilda Baker '50, Robert Paul, April 2, Excelsior Springs, Mo.

Henry '50 and Betty Kieft, Kristin Elizabeth, April 13, Minneapolis, Minn.

Alfred and Joyce Muilenburg '49 Bender, Charles Peter, May 3, Elba, N. Y.

Edward J. '51 and Jean Kerle, Kevin Arthur, May 5, Norwalk, Conn.

Donald '48 and Barbara Bilkert '47 Mulder, Scott Edward, May 6, Los Angeles.

John '58 and Margery Addis '56 Ver Beek, Jeffrey Lynn, May 29, Muskegon.

Robert and Margaret Bedgood '53N Hamill, Jeffrey, May 22, 1958; Douglas, October 13, 1955; Jimmy, Jr. June 8, 1954; Marilyn, March 1, 1953, Muskegon.

Lowell J. '57 and Diane Huenink, Michael Jay, February 9, Hartford, Conn.

James and Barbara Kremer, both '56, Elizabeth Anne, February 2, Grand Haven, Mich.

Dick and Marion Reichert '50 Fairbanks, Robert Sumner, May 7, Riverdale, N. J.

Richard and Dona Sluyter Fairchild, both '50, Beth Carol, March 22, 1957, and Michael Herman, March 17, 1959, East Greenbush, N. Y.

Warren '53 and Kaye Exo, Scott Charles, June 28, Madison, Wisconsin.

Dale S. and Jane Noxon De Witt, both '53, Thomas Paul, July 2, Holland.

Elmer and Ruth Ellison '40 Brandt, Kimberly Veda, July 2, Quartz Hill, Calif.

Randall P. '52 and Virginia Vande Water, Nancy Ann, July 19, Holland.

William H. and Joan Kilian, both '55, Barbara Ann, May 31, New Haven, Conn.

Lyle and Florence Parker '56 McGeoch, Lyle Andrew, July 10, W. Philadelphia, Pa.

Harold '55 and Mary Hesselink '56, Kathleen Alice, July 19, Schuylerville, N. Y.

A. Don '53 and Eunice Mayo '52 Lubbers, Mary Elizabeth, January 10, New Brunswick, N. J.

Carl '53 and Lucille Van Heest '55 Schroeder, Cynthia Lou, July 11, Taipei, Taiwan.

Kenneth '59 and Doris Miller '50N Vander Broek, Ruth Ann, June 1, Holland.

Lewis and Jean Veldt '54 Burns, Craig Lewis, July 23, Niles.

Thomas and Marcia Berghorst '53 Davis, Timothy Farr and Michael John, January 14, Knoxville, Tenn.

Fred and Joyce Baker Brieve, both '50, adoption of Elizabeth Ann (6 weeks old), North Muskegon.

Stanley '58 and Barbara Cook, Constance Rheumé, July 24, Pompton Lakes, N. J.

Maurice '45 and Virginia Hemmes '48 Laug, Nancy Hope, April 6, Park Forest, Ill.

John '54 and Reda Rynbrandt '57 Santinga, Jane Elizabeth, May 28, Grand Rapids.

Paul G. and Dorothy Contant Hendrickson (both '50), David Paul, September 10, Grand Rapids.

Donald '49 and Lynne Van Weelden '51 Ihrman, David Kryn, January 30, Benton Harbor.

Frederick and Eunice Heinen '49 Lewis, Robert Earl, July 30, Pueblo, Colo., and Barbary Lynn, November 24, 1957.

## WEDDING ANNOUNCEMENTS

Hope Christine Schutmaat '56N and James E. Hamilton, August 16, 1958, Holland.

Walter G. Mayer '53 and Goetl Koenig, March 21, Furth, Germany.

Margaret Radcliffe '51 and Donald C. White, Jr., April 19, Detroit.

John J. Witte '54 and Ann Elaine Greer, June 13, 1959, Evansville, Ind.

Adrian John Klaasen '57 and Constance Elaine Dykhuizen '60, June 13, Scotia, N. Y.

Herbert James Morgan '55 and Joan Kitchel McAnelly, July 11, Des Moines, Ia.

Jon D. Hamelink '57 and Judith Kay Siereveld, June 26, Grand Rapids.

Albert Buursma, Jr. '59 and Phyllis Joan Brink '58, June 27, Holland.

Peter J. De Jong '59 and Marcia Ann Baldwin '60, June 6, Muskegon.

Jeanette W. Abma '59 and Dale Jay Vande Wege, June 19, Forestville, Wis.

Glenn B. Williams and Susan J. Monte, both '58, June 19, Pittsfield, Mass.

Louis J. Stempfly, Jr. '55 and Joyce Hoeve, June 12, Holland.

James M. De Vries '52 and La Mae Joyce Zwiers, June 20, Holland.

Jack Ver Hult '58 and Pauline Essenburg, July 24, Holland.

Donald Pangburn '56 and Demitra Tulla Deffigos, August 16, Point Pleasant, N. J.

Carol McCahan '58 and Robert L. Bradford (Colgate '57), June 27, Red Hook, N. Y.

Henry and Marilyn Fischer '55 Johnson II, Suzanne Sherwood, June 1, Santa Monica, Calif.

John L. Rupright and Carol Elaine Myers '59, July 18, Ossian, Ind.

David Van Eenenaam '57 and Elena Bylsma '58, August 19, Grand Rapids.

Eugene Te Hennepe '58 and Anita Van Lente '58, June 13, Holland.

Roger Garvelink '58 and Carol Nieuwsma '60, August 7, Holland.

Roger H. Borr and Ruth Elaine Vandenberg, both '58, August 5, Grand Rapids.

John A. Johnson, Jr. '52 and Patricia Ann Nicholls, September 12, Rochester, N. Y.

Leonard Londo '51 and Miriam Lucille Moore, September 14, 1958, Wichita, Kan.

Theodore A. Du Mez '59 and Elizabeth Ann Wichers, September 5, Holland.

John W. Van Dyke '58 and Patricia K. Brown, August 29, Holland.

Leonard G. Rowell '57 and Ann Bloodgood '57, August 29, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Jan P. Drost '58N and Joan Van Riper, August 29, Hackensack, N. J.



# EDWARD D. DIMNENT

1876-1959

## *A Tribute*

Remarks made at funeral service for Dr. Dimnent in the Hope College Memorial Chapel on Tuesday, July 7, 1959 by Irwin J. Lubbers, President of Hope College.

To make an appraisal of the life and work of Edward D. Dimnent is a task for which no man can consider himself qualified. The best we can hope to do on this occasion is to recall some of the things he wrote as an educator and some of the things he said and did as a man.

### DIMNENT THE EDUCATOR.

As an educator he was first of all an individualist. He believed with Emerson that with him there was born into the world something unique, something entirely new. He was convinced that someday he would be called upon to give an accounting of what he had done with this personal endowment. This he held was true for every individual. It is not surprising therefore that his program of education centered about the life-purpose of the student. Culture without an objective in service was to him without meaning.

This concern with what kind of an individual a student becomes is portrayed in one of the reports he wrote to the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America in the early years of his presidency. Of the typical modern college student he wrote "He has taken with avidity to the modern social sciences and finds himself at sea because these have, in a self-styled scientific spirit, started with nothing as a basis and have found their terminal in the same satisfying locus."

As a safeguard against such pseudo-education he advocated a well rounded traditional program. In the same report to the General Synod he set forth his concept in these words: "A liberal education is not a training in looseness of thought, an acceptance of everything which is tinged with the so-called modern spirit and a refusal of all things which have the imprimatur of the past. No man is liberal in the academic sense until he is so thoroughly grounded in the learning of all history that he knows the truth, and by the truth is set free from errors past, present and future." The function of education as he saw it was to fit youth through schooling and character building to do anything that can reasonably be expected or demanded of an individual.

But there was no attempt on his part to provide this individualized education in a vacuum. He was in no sense a separatist. Education must have social goals. Society can be improved only through genuine education. In a memorable conversation (Conversations with Dr. Dimnent were often memorable experiences) he placed the responsibility for America's involvement in the first world-war on our lack of a thorough knowledge of history. He decried American preoccupation with the development of a welfare-state and described those responsible as "destroyers of America" because they abandoned the heritage of self-reliance and independence.

Dr. Dimnent anticipated by a whole generation the great struggle of our time. In 1921 he wrote: "I have suggested that the man of liberal training must be a man of universal knowledge and of practical applications. Therefore I wish to submit for your discussion a proposition which I have thought about with much care. . . . I desire that you consider whether the time is not ripe to so modify all your courses that each student shall be required to cover a minimum amount of work in the culture systems of the ancient world, either through

the medium of the ancient languages, the Greek and Latin, or through an adequate portrayal of these civilizations in the English language. The struggle of the next generation will be the struggle of the eastern civilization with the western civilization. To be victorious in the struggle the west must know her traditions and her ideals with utmost thoroughness. I wish I were as confident of the faith of the western world in the Christianity which is essentially western as the east is confident in the gods many and lords many which it believes have guided its destiny."

The corner-stone of his administration of Hope College was his conviction that its program of education must be designed for service to the church. He constantly reiterated "As goes the college so goes the denomination." If the college is "small, slight-natured, miserable" how can the church grow? In a broader context he constantly expressed his conviction that the Christian college was essential to the very life of the Christian church. Theology was to him the basic foundation and unifying principle of higher education but the liberal arts college he was convinced must through a firm commitment to Jesus Christ be outside the realm of theological controversy.

In this matter as in others it is better to read a man's own writings than to read what others say about him. The following is a typical expression of his mind in this field: "In the midst of all the vaporings which America is befogged by and with today, HOPE COLLEGE must inculcate a staunch and certain Christianity which will palter no questions of 'ifs' and 'ands' but will prove all doctrines whether they be of God or man, and then, without debate or animadversions, will abide by the truth as it is in Christ Jesus. On this basis it can go forward and place before its youth the thoughts of men of all ages on politics, social themes, economic developments and moral issues."

Reduced to its simplest expression Dr. Dimnent's concept of Hope College's function was yet profound beyond measure: In all things Christ must be preeminent; at all costs the Church must be served.

### DIMNENT THE MAN.

Two short simple adjectives suffice to describe Dimnent the man—*great* and *good*.

In response to the notice of Dr. Dimnent's death Dr. John W. Beardslee, Jr. of New Brunswick, N. J. sent the following telegram:

EDWARD D. DIMNENT WAS A GREAT MAN AND DID A GREAT WORK FOR HOPE COLLEGE FOR THE HOLLAND COMMUNITY AND FOR THE REFORMED CHURCH IN AMERICA.

To this sentiment all who knew him respond with unquestioned acquiescence and acclaim.

No standard of greatness applied to him found him wanting. Said Washington Irving: "Great minds have purposes, others have wishes." Dimnent's was a mind of high and noble purposes. By no stretch of the imagination could he ever be spoken of as being wishful. Emerson's standard is likewise a suitable measure: "He is great who is what he is from nature,



and who never reminds us of others." Lesser men have some virtues which may lead one to say that in this or that respect they are like Dr. Dimnent but Dr. Dimnent reminds us only of himself. This was the secret of his greatness that he grew to be the man whom the Creator intended him to be.

Dr. Dimnent's goodness is revealed in his capacity for friendship. Communications being received by the College as the news of his death spreads are evidence of how highly his friendship was cherished. Notable among these expressions are telegrams from Dr. Joseph Sizoo of Washington, D. C. and Mrs. John Vander Vries of Chicago. The two elements of friendship, truth and tenderness, were natural instincts with him. To be included in the circle of his friendship was a rare privilege. He was not given to flattery or idle praise. Even in the circle of his immediate family a compliment was rarely given but when given was genuinely felt and deeply cherished in memory.

"Greatness and goodness are not means, — but ends.

Hath he not always treasures always friends

The good great man? These treasures — love and light

And calm thoughts regular as infant's breath; —

And three firm friends, more sure than day and night —

Himself, his Maker and the angel death."

(Coleridge)

As a tribute to the founder of the Salvation Army Vachel Lindsay wrote a poem (since become famous) entitled Gen-

eral William Booth Enters Into Heaven. He pictures General Booth leading a procession of "lurching braves - - - drabs from the alleyways - - - vermin-eaten saints with moldy breath - - - unwashed legions - - - big-voiced lasses - - - bull-necked convicts and - - - loons with trumpets" all marching to the accompaniment of banjos and tambourines and bass drums and singing "Washed in the blood of the Lamb." And in his imaginative picture the poet describes the spectators with one line: "The Saints smiled gravely and they said: 'He's come'."

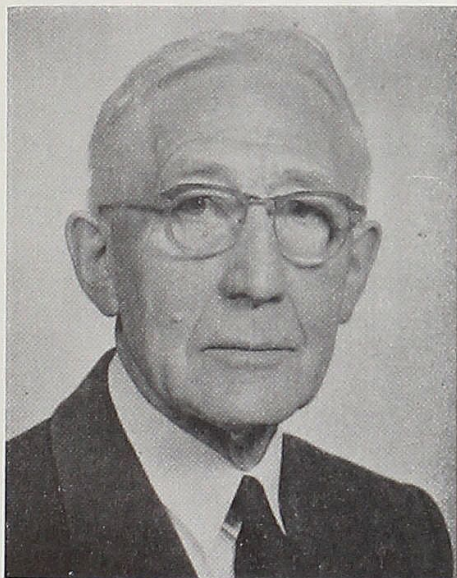
How shall we do justice to the theme, Edward D. Dimnent Enters Into Heaven! Earnest students and faculty colleagues, eloquent preachers - - - missionary statesmen from many lands - - - renowned scientists - - - consecrated doctors - - - ambassadors to and from other countries - - - authors - - - business executives - - - royal personages - - - the intelligent, cultured, dynamic, Christian host all saying with him who had been to them a source of inspiration

"I know whom I have believed and am persuaded that

He is able to keep that which I have committed to

Him against that day."

We close the book on the earthly career of Edward D. Dimnent in the calm assurance that he fell asleep at peace with God, at peace with himself and at peace with every man.



B. T. Vander Woude

*From a letter to President Lubbers, dated April 20 in Lethbridge, Alta., Canada:*

Dear Irwin: A little while ago this morning I was reading of the plan for building a new women's dormitory at Hope College. The thought came to me how much I owe to the College and the women's dormitory at Hope.

It was in the spring of 1908 that Dr. Dimnent asked me to become janitor at Voorhees. He did not know, I am sure, but here was a hungry boy, who for some months had been eating a full meal only once a day, with two small lunches added. And here was offered him work that would give him three full meals a day, with the key to the kitchen added, so he might be able to get a snack at night before retiring. At the time that seemed almost like heaven being offered. Why I was chosen I do not know, and undoubtedly never will. But Dr. Dimnent was, and has been

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ever since a true friend, and to me he is still the greatest man I have ever met. Needless to say, I have never been hungry since.

Of course one can never pay back for value received, but with this background for my thinking, will you kindly permit me to offer you a small check for the new dormitory? I know it is a far cry from the total of one million dollars, but it will secure at least a few sacks of cement for the foundation. Best wishes for the success of the project!—B. T. Vander Woude '13

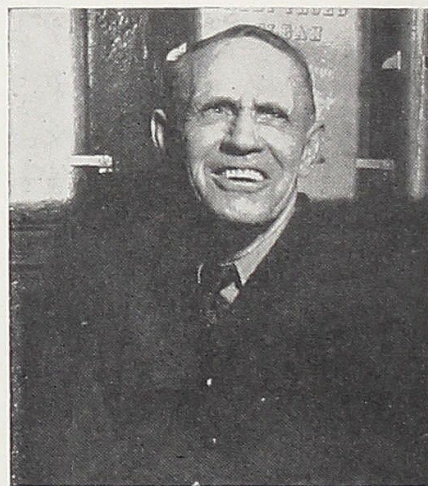
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Hope's beloved custodian, John Nyboer, died on May 21. A feature article published at the time of his retirement in 1949 opened with the sentence "The janitor never taught a class, yet his homey philosophy and his keen interest in the welfare of college students leave memories cherished by hundreds of Hope students."

Mr. Nyboer joined the Hope maintenance staff to look after the Science building in 1923, the same year Dr. Gerrit Van Zyl and Prof. Garrett Vander Borgh joined the teaching staff during the administration of Dr. Edward D. Dimnent.

What the college meant to Mr. Nyboer and his family of 10 children, 9 still living, was pointed up in the following letter from one of his sons, Andrew '38, to Dr. Lubbers:

"Hope College has meant a great deal in the lives of all the Nyboers. To measure this meaning in any terms except Christian living and spreading the Hope story and opportunities to be found there, cannot be done. Of all the family, possibly, Hope meant by far more to father than to the rest of us because it was there, that for many years he was such a necessary part of Hope's existence. In his own Christian and humble way he would be the last to claim to be of any help at all to the



John Nyboer

past and continuing heritage of Hope College.

"I and all the Nyboers are, and have always been, so extremely grateful for the wonderful friendliness and considerations always accorded father and in return, Hope College has never been and never will be out of our thoughts and prayers.

"To you particularly, Dr. Lubbers, Dr. Van Zyl, Prof. Thompson, Prof. Kleis and Jack Schouten, I wish to express my profound thanks for being father's friends.

"Please accept this check from the Andrew Nyboers in fond memory of father and grandfather knowing that it will be used to further the educational facilities of which father was so very, very proud."

Andrew's family consists of his wife, Marian, and "four future Hopeites." Others of John Nyboer's survivors are: Jan, class of '28, Ph.D., M.D. in heart research Harper Hospital; Alice Halverson, graduate of Hope Prep. retired missionary; Robert '49, Rockford, Illinois, dentist, as is Andrew in the same city; Mrs. Carl Buurma, Mrs. Nick Klungle, Mrs. William Klaasen, Mrs. Raymond Hilbink, all of Holland, and Mrs. Barkley Omans of Albert Lee, Minnesota. Henry '26 met with a fatal accident in 1943.



**Dr. Arnold Mulder '07**, well known educator and writer, died of a heart attack at his home in Kalamazoo on March 27.

He left Holland in 1929, where he was editor of the Sentinel, to accept a position on the faculty of Kalamazoo College. He retired from his position as head of the English department there in 1953. Throughout the years he had continued as an editorial writer for the Sentinel and had contributed "Library Adventures," a weekly column to that publication, which column was syndicated by Booth Newspapers and was widely used.

In 1958, Dr. Mulder's book "The Kalamazoo College Story" was published in connection with the 125th anniversary of the college. Another of his books, "Americans from Holland," an objective history of 300 years of Dutch Culture in America, was the first of a series published by J. B. Lippincott Co. Besides his books, he wrote 60 articles for 24 national magazines, including Saturday Review, Colliers' and The Nation.

A native of Holland, he attended the Universities of Michigan and Chicago, besides Hope College. In 1947 his alma mater conferred upon him the honorary degree of Doctor of Letters. He was founder of Michigan Out-of-doors, a periodical, and was founder and first president of the Michigan Authors' Association.

Dr. Mulder is survived by his wife, Katherine, and a brother, James B. Mulder '12.

**Olivia Johnson Hunderfund '31** died in Good Samaritan Hospital, Suffern, N. Y. on April 13 following a year of ill health. She had been actively engaged in the promotion of youth activities and adult education in her community. Surviving are her husband, Horace, two sons, James and Robert; three sisters and two brothers.

**Hazel Albers Fletcher '28** died in Redlands, California, where she had lived for the past 10 years, on April 17. After teaching in the Holland schools for a time, she attended Katherine Gibbs School in Boston. Upon completion of her course she accepted a position as secretary to the Hon. Sinclair Weeks, later U. S. Secretary of Commerce.

Mrs. Fletcher is survived by her husband, David, director of chemical research at the Central Rocket Co., Redlands, twin daughters, Mary and Susan; her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Albers of Holland; two sisters, Janet Yonkman '25, Madison, N. J., Evelyn Wilson '31, Columbus, O.; two brothers, Dr. Henry Albers '26, Pasadena, and Dr. Donald Albers '35, Grand Rapids.

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**Bertha Hospers Bowen '17** died April 21 at Castile, N. Y. She had suffered from a heart ailment for the past two years. The daughter of the late Gerrit H. Hospers '84, she taught Latin and German in several New York high schools after her graduation from Hope. She is survived by her husband, Charles.

**Jacqueline Karreman Peck '38** died on April 28 in Deaconess Hospital, Detroit, following a three day illness. A native of Holland, she had attended the University of Michigan, Albion and Olivet Colleges as well as Hope. She was former society editor of the Lansing State Journal. At the time of her death she was editor of the magazine of the Women's City Club of Detroit and was in public relations for the Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Parkway and the Detroit Institute of Art. Funeral and internment services were held in Holland. She is survived by three aunts.

**Dr. Edward D. Kremers**, class of 1901, prominent Pasadena physician and former Caltech medical researcher, died in Pasadena on June 23. He was 78. A native of Holland, Michigan, he was graduated from the University of Michigan Medical School in 1903 and received a commission as an Army medical officer in 1910. During World War I he served in the U. S. Surgeon General's office and rose to the rank of Lt. Colonel. He entered private practice in Pasadena in 1929. He was an institute physician for 19 years at Caltech, where he did research on vitamin therapy and was instrumental in the establishment of vitamins as a food supplement. He also did research for the American Cancer Society. He is survived by his wife, Amy, and two sons, Lt. Col. Marshall Y. Kremers serving in the Air Force medical corps in Germany, and Henry E. Kremers, an Altadena, Calif., mechanical engineer.

**Otto M. Dressel '32**, research chemist at the Holland Color and Chemical Co. for the past 30 years, died in University Hospital, Ann Arbor, on June 27. Active in the Boy Scout program for 30 years, he received the Silver Beaver Award in 1957. He was a member of the Methodist Church and of the American Chemical Society. His wife, Ruth, survives, also three children: Sandra '59, Mary Elizabeth and James Karl; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl C. Dressel of Holland and a sister Lois Bosman '30.

**Dr. John E. Winter '02**, chairman of the department of psychology, University of West Virginia, until his retirement, died in Morgantown on July 16. After receiving his Ph.D. from the University of Michigan in 1917, he joined the W. Va. U. staff in 1921. He is survived by a son, Prof. Lawrence Winter of Huntington College.

**Rev. John W. Brink '12**, retired RCA minister living in Orange City, Iowa, died on April 14 at his home of a sudden heart attack. A graduate of Western Seminary, Mr. Brink served churches in North Dakota, South Dakota, Michigan and Iowa before his retirement in 1952. He served on the Board of Northwestern College and Academy for seventeen years, and also on the Western Seminary and Central College boards. After his retirement he supplied pulpits for the Reformed, Christian Reformed and Presbyterian churches in the Orange City area. He is survived by his wife, Jennie Roseboom Brink, a son, Willard H. of Kalamazoo, and a daughter, Mrs. Merlyn Kraai, Orange City.

**Joseph Potter '17**, furnace and air conditioning dealer, died in Phoenix, Arizona, where he had made his home for the past twelve years, on August 4. He is survived by his wife, Hasel; a daughter, Frances; two brothers and five sisters.

**Bernard Kleinhesselink '02**, retired civil engineer, died in Oostburg, Wisconsin, on May 27 of a heart attack. He lived most of his life after graduating from Hope and teaching for a year in Drenthe, in Montana where he held a variety of county, state and national positions pertinent to surveying and engineering. He is survived by a daughter living in Massachusetts and a son, in Billings, Montana.

**Margaret Van Raalte Kleis '36** died at Johns Hopkins Hospital on June 12 following a three-months illness. Before her marriage she had been a USO careerist. Surviving are her husband, Guy '35, a daughter, Margaret Elizabeth, Baltimore, a brother, Derk '38N, a sister, Jean Van Raalte Klomparens '40N, and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. B. K. Van Raalte, all of Holland.

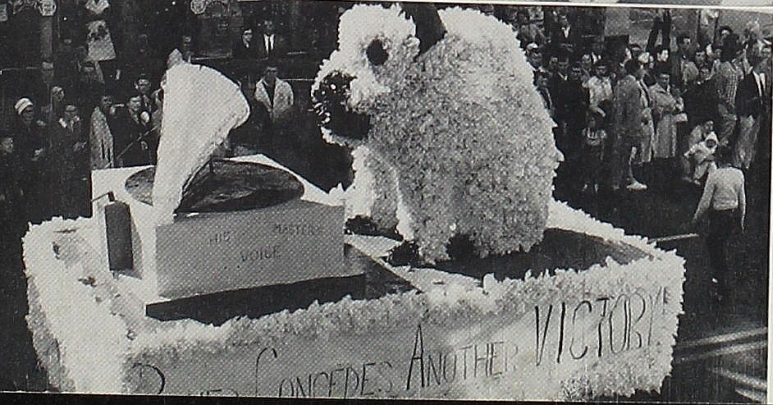
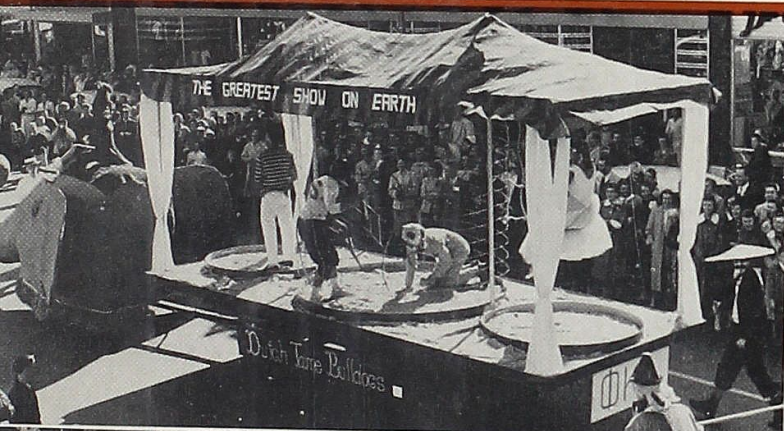
**Miss Evangeline Homing '31**, receptionist in a Holland doctor's office since graduation from Hope College in 1931, died at Holland Hospital after a three months illness on September 8.

She was a member of the First Methodist Church and its Philathea Class. She is survived by her mother with whom she made her home in Holland, and a brother, Arthur H. Horning, Holland.





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**Theme: Cartoon Capers**

**OCTOBER 17, 18**

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### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17

- 10:30 A.M. Parade of Floats—8th Street
- Noon Sorority and Fraternity lunches
- 12:00 Noon "H" Club Dinner—Durfee Hall
- 12:00 Noon Mrs. Lubbers' Luncheon for out-of-town wives of H Club men
- 2:00 P.M. HOPE vs. KALAMAZOO—River-view Park
- After Game Alcor Alumnae Tea—Gilmore Cottage
- Open House All Dormitories
- 5:30-7:00 P.M.—Alumni Buffet Supper—Durfee Hall
- 7:30 P.M. Palette & Masque Play, "R.U.R." by Karl Capek
- Little Theatre
- 8:30 P.M. Homecoming Party—Civic Center

### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18

- 3:00 P.M. Homecoming Vesper Service—Dimnent Memorial Chapel

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